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MARINE UNIONS FIGHT TRAITOR OFFICIALS

S. F. Ammunition Sent Against B. C. Marine Strikers

**Vancouver Dock Workers Strike for Union
Recognition; Police Attack Picket
Lines; Five Strikers Injured**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 21.—Chief of Police William J. Quinn, San Francisco's chief strikebreaker, this week superintended the shipping of 1500 rounds of ammunition to British Columbia, upon request of Chief Constable W. W. Foster of Vancouver who is shooting longshoremen in an attempt to halt a waterfront strike there.

Chief Quinn turned the order over to the Western Cartridge Company, 731 Folsom street here, a subsidiary of the Remington Arms Corporation. Additional cartridge clips, as called for in the Vancouver order were shipped from the company's Los Angeles plant.

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 21.—Police attacked a demonstration here protesting against the action of Constable Foster in ordering 1500 rounds of ammunition from San Francisco to be used in murdering striking longshoremen who struck after shipowners repeatedly had broken previous agreements and had attempted to employ scab labor.

COMMITTEE FOR JULY 5TH ASKS UNITED FRONT

**ELEVEN SAN FRANCISCO
ORGANIZATIONS NOW
REPRESENTED**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—Eleven workers' organizations are so far represented on the local Arrangements Committee for July 5, the day on which Labor will commemorate the "Bloody Thursday" of the Maritime Strike of last year.

* Resolution Passed.

On June 18 the committee provided for the participation of all unions and workers' organizations by passing a resolution "that any credentials presented from a trade union or working organization" be accepted. The wide move of

SAN FRANCISCO, June 21.—Lawrence Ross, of the Communist Party, today delivered to the Arrangements Committee for July 5 a donation of \$25.00.

the workers for a united front against the enemies of labor was reflected in another motion passed providing that "all labor unions, working class organizations, friends and sympathizers shall be invited to participate in the parade."

* Many Organizations.

Organizations so far represented on the committee include the Warehousemen, State Conference Against Criminal Syndicalism, the Bargemen, the International Seamen's Union, League Against War and Fascism, Marine Cooks and Stewards, Masters, Mates and Pilots.

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WAGNER STRIKE BREAKING BILL PASSES HOUSE

**LABOR DISPUTES MEASURE
RUSHED IN ORDER TO
HALT STRUGGLES**

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 20.—The Wagner Labor Disputes Bill, latest and most vicious strike-breaking instrument concocted by the Roosevelt administration, today was approved in the House of Representatives and sent back to the Senate.

Plugged heavily by Roosevelt and seen by employers and American Federation of Labor bureaucrats alike as a possible means of stifling protest against the wage cutting drive now gaining headway, the measure is expected to become a law before the end of the week.

Like Section 7-a of the now defunct NRA, President William Green and Matthew Woll of the American Federation of Labor publicly hail the Wagner Bill as "Labor's Magna Carta."

Senator Wagner, author of the bill, this week has been outspoken in assuring employers the measure "in no way enforces the closed shop."

Certain sections of industry have made a sham of opposing the bill as was the case when the NRA was up for consideration. Green and his clique of A. F. of L., realizing the growing sentiment in all sections of labor for struggle against wage cuts and long hours threatens their position as heads of the Federation, have spared no effort in attempting to force the bill down the throats of millions of workers.

EUREKA POLICE MURDER LUMBER STRIKE PICKET

**TWENTY WORKERS JAILED
MANY INJURED BY
OFFICERS**

Vigilante Terrorism

**MAYOR AND MILL OWNERS
BUILDING RED SCARE
AGAINST UNION**

EUREKA, Calif., June 21.—At least one worker was murdered and several others were seriously injured when the entire police force, sheriff and deputies and firemen of Eureka attacked a picket line of striking lumber workers at the Holmes Eureka mill, half a mile south of here this morning.

The police attack was launched after pickets had attempted to halt and question a special officer, sent to relieve the night watchman at the mill. Special police have been on duty since the beginning of the strike, aiding the mill owners to operate with scab labor.

Twenty strikers immediately were jailed and police terror continued as other workers were hunted down and arrested.

Members of the Timber and Sawmill Workers' Union here struck in the middle of May, joining the 40,000 lumber workers of Oregon and Washington in demanding substantial wage increases, shorter work week, union recognition and abolition of the blacklist.

Immediately upon the calling of the walkout here, the mayor of Eureka and members of the Redwood Association along with prominent Legionnaires called for a vigilante "Committee of 1000" to intimidate the workers and smash the strike.

The red-scare reached its height here more than a week ago when school authorities and vigilantes attempted to bring about the removal of a popular local school teacher, charging "that he had participated in picketing" along with the lumber strikers.

Arrests of workers have been a weekly occurrence since the beginning of the strike.

Nazis Confiscate 21 Foreign Papers

BERLIN, Germany, June 21.—Twenty-one foreign newspapers, periodicals, and pamphlets have been confiscated by the Nazi government. They include the New York Times for from June 2 to June 6, and pamphlets by J. R. Rutherford published by the Watchtower and Bible Tract Society of Brooklyn.

Friedl Gang Attacks Rank And File San Pedro Leader

THE COMING STRUGGLE ON THE WATERFRONT

Statement By the District Committee, District 13, Communist Party of the U. S. A.

The role of the capitalist papers during the Longshore and General strikes has not been forgotten by San Francisco labor. Then, as now, they indulged in a bombardment of propaganda, charging that Communists are seeking to control the unions for the purpose of creating disorder.

The truth was that the striking maritime workers had established democratic control, with the result that employers were unable to defeat the strike through the diplomacies of Ryan, Lewis, Scharrenberg and the rest of their agents in union ranks.

Expulsion of Paul Scharrenberg from the Sailors' Union by an almost unanimous vote caused the whole corrupt network of A. F. of L. officialdom to show its hand. The employers, the capitalist press and the fakers lifted their voices in common chorus. They united in a drive against the waterfront unions, all demanding that "radical leadership" and "Communist leadership" be abandoned. These demands were accompanied by veiled threats of removing charters and breaking off negotiations.

The employers are maneuvering the workers into a position where they must openly declare themselves either for Left Wing leadership or the so-called "Conservative leadership."

PURPOSE OF THE NEWSPAPER CAMPAIGN

The intention of the present newspaper Red Scare campaign is to intimidate the workers from declaring themselves for Left leadership. If the employers can succeed in this, they will have succeeded in taking the first step toward breaking the waterfront unions. They will herd the men into locals dominated by such characters as Lewis and Peterson and, with the aid of the recently passed Wagner-Lewis Bill, hold the maritime unions in bonds of perpetual arbitration.

The San Francisco Chronicle leads off its June 20th editorial with: "American Unionism and Red Radicalism cannot live together in the same house." Note how cleverly this is worded to confuse the whole issue and mislead the reader. The real issue is whether the men shall be dictated to through the bureaucracy of employers' agents ("so-called Americanism") or whether they shall have democratic control of their own affairs (so-called Red Radicalism).

WHY FEAR COMMUNISM?

We are not trying to say that employers are mis-naming rank and file control as Communist. Rank and file control, solidarity, unity, and militancy are all what Communists propose, struggle for and seek to safeguard in trade unions.

The employers' accusation that Communists seek to wreck the unions and create trouble for the sake of trouble is as illogical as it is vicious. Under the leadership of the so-called "Conservative leaders" or "Labor's regular leaders," as the kept press describes them, the waterfront unions degenerated into hopeless dues rackets. They were as useless to the men in protecting their interests and fighting their grievances as the Waterfront Employers Association itself.

Although labor possessed the only real power on the waterfront, it was unable to win the slightest improvement in wages or working conditions. The employers didn't worry about the unions in those days. In the last analysis, there were no unions.

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**Expulsion of Employers' Agent Planned
Following Open Gangsterism
Against Marine Firemen**

VOTE CONFIDENCE IN BRIDGES

**Pedro Peterson Condemned by Rank and
File for Attempt to Split
West Coast I.L.A.**

SAN PEDRO, Calif., June 20.—Yesterday, about 4:30 p. m., Claude Smallman, militant rank and file leader in the Marine Firemen's Union of San Pedro, was attacked by a group of hoodlums and gangsters, who were later identified as the "Friedl Beef Squad."

Receiving several setbacks in his sell-out policies, Friedl, business agent of the Marine Firemen's Union at San Pedro, has resorted to open gangsterism to intimidate his militant opposition.

SCHARRENBERG OUSTING GETS WIDE SUPPORT

**SAN DIEGO FEDERATED
TRADES APPROVES
EXPULSION**

SAN DIEGO, Calif., June 21.—Efforts of reactionaries to put through a resolution at last week's Federated Trades meeting, urging retention of Paul Scharrenberg in the California State Federation of Labor until the L.S.U. International office has reviewed his case, was defeated by an almost unanimous vote of the rank and file.

Brother Donnelly seemed to be the only active supporter of the resolution. After it was turned down, he brought it up a second time and was squelched again very emphatically.

Much resentment is being expressed here among union men over the fact that the local Labor Leader published a statement by Scharrenberg in which he tries to pose as a militant leader, but failed to publish even a news story announcing his expulsion.

However, the June 15 issue of Trade Union News, the rank and file paper published locally, carried a feature story on the ousting of the labor cheat including all important facts.

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This attack followed on the heels of the previous night's meeting when Friedl's sell-out policy was exposed. One point in particular was the giving of credentials to a Modesto Defense Committee to aid the victims of the

SAN PEDRO, Calif., June 20.—At the first meeting of the newly formed San Pedro Council of the Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast, the same constitution was approved and adopted as that drafted by the San Francisco Council.

Modesto frameup. Despite definite instructions from the membership at two different meetings, he has refused to give this committee credentials. Smallman was elected a member of this defense committee.

* "Get the Beef Squad."

At the conclusion of this meeting, Friedl was overheard to say to Bruley, one of his gang, "Get the Beef Squad." Six members of this "Beef Squad," Bruley, Hendricks, Paddy Riley, Whiting, and two others waylaid Smallman while he was walking down the street alone and robbed him of his union book, union constitution, and personal papers, including his pocket book. This attack occurred between Second and Third on Main at San Pedro. When help arrived the thugs immediately fled.

The car was recognized as one of the picket cars that the Firemen got for the tanker strike.

Far from being intimidated, Smallman immediately got together with several other members of the Sailors, Cooks and

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FIREMEN SCORE RYAN, LEWIS FOR ATTACK ON I.L.A.

**"WE OUGHT TO KICK YOU
ALL OUT," WORKERS
TELL M'GOVERN**

Fakers Ask More Pay

**JAMESON BOASTS HE WAS
VIGILANTE DURING
GENERAL STRIKE**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 21.—The rank and file of the Marine Firemen's Union last night passed unanimously a motion severely censuring the Executive Committee of the State Federation of Labor for its support of the reactionary Paul Scharrenberg and its lying attack upon the militant workers of the International Seamen's Union who expelled Scharrenberg from the organization.

A second motion, also passed unanimously, protested the threats of the Ryan clique of the International Longshoremen's Association to grab the charter away from the San Francisco I.L.A., unless local longshoremen removed Harry Bridges from presidency of the union. The Firemen demanded that letters of protest be sent to Ryan in the East and to Lewis, Pacific Coast District President of the I.L.A., who is aiding Ryan and the employers in their attempts to wreck the San Francisco local.

* Jameson Exposed.

During the meeting, Jameson, chairman of the Committee for the Defense of the framed marine workers at Modesto, openly admitted that he had been a member of the vigilante gang responsible for the wrecking of Western Worker and Communist Party headquarters during the General Strike of 1934.

Jameson had been reporting on his recent visit to the workers in jail at Modesto. During the course of his red-baiting talk he declared that he "guessed" the

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NAACP LAWYERS SELL OUT RACE RIOT DEFENSE

**CHICO BOYS PERSUADED
TO PLEAD GUILTY TO
MINOR CHARGE**

CHICO, Calif., June 20.—After the International Labor Defense had blocked the felony frameup against the four Negro youths, held here following the race riot in C.C.C. Camp Coliaset, officials of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People shipped in and persuaded the boys to plead guilty to the reduced charge of disturbing the peace.

Walter A. Gordon of Berkeley, and H. L. Richardson, attorneys for the N.A.A.C.P., arrived here Tuesday, June 18, and made a deal with the authorities whereby the boys pleaded guilty in return for 90 day suspended sentence. Gordon and Richardson accomplished the maneuver with the help of the District Attorney, the assistant District Attorney, the Justice of the Peace and the army officers who featured as complaining witnesses.

* Had Pleaded "Not Guilty."

Immediately after the charges of assault were reduced, the boys were arraigned before Justice Newton on Monday. On the advice of Leo Gallagher, I.L.D. attorney who had handled the case until that time, they pleaded "not guilty" to disturbing the peace and demanded jury trials.

While the I.L.D. was preparing plans to completely vindicate the boys, Cornelius Smith, Augustus Swift, John Boyd, and Donald

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The True Story Of The Omaha Street Car Strike

**Eyewitness Tells How Exploited Car Men
Waged War on Two Fronts—Against
Union Officials and Company**

OMAHA, Neb., June 20.—Eighteen hundred National Guardsmen have established martial law here and Governor Cochran is now military dictator of the city, and is bending every energy to break the strike of the street car workers.

He has ordered an arbitration board of three, and declared the decision of the board must be accepted and binding for at least a year.

Another worker has died from bullet wounds, the second death, and 88 are still in the hospitals with buckshot wounds from police guns.

The Young Communist League has called upon the Guardsmen to refuse duty as strike-breakers. Some of the local guardsmen who come from the Omaha Packing Plants and who took part in the demonstrations have refused strike-breaking duty.

their politician friends, have urged the strikers to be "gentlemen" and avoid militant action, thousands of workers have been taking part in action all over the city since the beginning of the strike, knocking out car windows, or persuading citizens that it is unhealthy to ride scab cars. More than once, working class women have given rough treatment to women who, after several warnings, have insisted on riding the scab cars.

Support of the strike has been almost unanimous in South Omaha, where the second largest packing center of the world is located, and the cars there have been practically empty. Elderly women and young children have, time after time, signaled cars, placed their feet on the steps, and expressed their opinion of scabs in no uncertain terms.

* Police Bomb Wedding.

The police department tried to suppress the resentment by intimidation, dispersing all gatherings on the street. A week ago, they tossed a tear gas bomb into a group on L street who were celebrating a wedding, and this was the spark that kindled the flame of mass action. Night after night the crowds grew bigger, taking more open action against the street cars and the police.

**Governor Calls National Guard After Scabs
Are Turned Back By Strikers; Cops
Fire Riot-Guns Into Crowds**

* Scabherd Learns.

The workers meanwhile turned loose their wrath on a "Hinkey Dinkey" chain store, whose manager, in spite of three warnings, had persisted in riding scab cars and had demanded that his workers do the same. The plate glass windows were broken, and the contents of the store went flying onto the streets. Canned goods replenished the supply of bricks as ammunition against the scab cars, and the people saw to it that the rest of the goods were placed beyond the possibility of recovery.

Next night the crowds were even bigger, and were spread over the whole of South Omaha. Attempts of the police to clear the streets were futile, even along 24th street, the main thoroughfare. At 24th and L, where a large crowd was gathered, a squad car drove up and without warning

fired into the crowd at close range, killing one man with buckshot and wounding several. This only heightened the anger of the crowd, which refused to be intimidated.

* Cops and Riot Guns.

The cops, sticking closely together, would chase the workers up one block, only to find that the last corner had been reconquered. No longer relying on tear gas, they fired their riot guns promiscuously. Even as the crowd retreated, rocks would fly back at the "law". At least 88 were injured in the fighting, most of them shot by police buckshot, but several cops were hurt.

Police Commissioner Myers, who stepped out of his car to fire at the crowd, was knocked out by a flying brick and had to be dragged back into the car. The same Captain Levin, who had already

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SAN DIEGO WORKERS LOSING FAITH IN EXPOSITION WHEN OFFICIALS STALL ON WAGES

SERA Workers Respond to Call for Help to Open Exhibition on Time; But Pay Day Brings Cops Instead of Wages

SAN DIEGO, Calif., June 20.—The following is the experience of only one man who worked on the Exposition, but it is also the story 1500 to 2000 other exposition workers could tell.

This man was on the SERA, working in the park on projects which were directly benefiting the Exposition. Came the week before the Exposition was going to open, and a call was sent out to 1500 of the SERA workers to work overtime on a 24-hour basis, in an effort to get the grounds all cleaned and shipshape for the Grand Opening.

Some nights he put in from 4 p. m. to 4 a. m., at straight 50 cents per hour time. Other workers put in even longer hours, and then also worked daytime on their SERA projects. These workers did this heroic work not only for the money end of it, but they sincerely wanted to see the Expo get off to a good start. They have been given the idea that it is going to bring back prosperity, and they wanted to hurry it along. Many have changed their minds now, though.

* Told To Come Back.

The Exposition opened on Thursday with a lot of ballyhoo and publicity. Friday night a small group of about 15 or twenty went to one of the gates and demanded their pay. They were told to come back the next day, but they said they would wait there until they got what was coming to them. The gate keepers were in a spot. Well dressed tourists were passing through the turnstiles and this group of dirty workers gave the beautiful setting a black eye. They called the cops, and Harry Foster, the big shot American Legion man who does all the hiring and firing and buying for the Expo.

* Boss Loses Temper.

Foster got mad as a hatter and went over to the Expo treasurer and got all the cash he could get hold of and paid off the men, without even checking up on what was due to them. He told them: "This mean a black eye for you fellows. You'll remember this." Foster could do that because there were only a few men, and he figured it a shrewd move.

But the next day, it was a different story. There were about 2500 Expo workers waiting for their checks. They waited all day. The map who is telling this story waited from 10 a. m. till 6 p. m. that Saturday. The officials then told them to come back the same night at 7:30 p. m. and the checks would shortly be there.

* Humbuggery.

While these 2500 workers were waiting, every once in a while the officials would call off a name and wave a check. But no one ever answered the names, or claimed the checks. It looked like those names were faked, just to give the appearance that there were actually checks being given out.

At 7:30 no one was paid off, because there was nobody around there to pay them off. It had been only a stall to get them away. This one worker, however, stuck around and finally saw a chance to climb over the fence. Inside the grounds he hunted up Harry Foster, the big shot, and demanded his pay. Foster softened him, and told him to come back and see him the next day, Sunday. The worker said: "All right, how am I going to get in—"

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Vandeleur and Clique Rapped By Machinists

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—A motion protesting the arbitrary closing of the Central Labor Council to the public, was passed with one dissenting vote at the regular meeting of the Machinists, Local 68, here this week. Rank and file sentiment against the dictatorship tactics adopted by Edward Vandeleur and his clique of bureaucrats within the council, rapidly is growing within the trade unions here.

MARINE UNION CONDEMNS LIES OF OFFICIALS

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Two Marine Firemen there, "and many in the hall tonight know" that he is not a Communist and had no intention of ever being one and that he helped smash the Communist Party offices and the Western Worker during the 1934 strike.

* Officials Rapped.

Real fireworks popped when McGovern, reactionary secretary, and his group of bureaucrats attempted to have their recent wage raise made retroactive to December 1. McGovern now is drawing \$50 per week and four others are being paid \$40 per week. The "retroactive" clause would have meant an additional expenditure of \$2800 in salaries alone. At the present time there is but \$4000 in the treasury of the Firemen's Union. The request will go to a coast-wide three-months vote.

Shouts of "if you don't like your job, get out!" and "what we ought to do is kick the whole bunch of you out and elect some real officials!" were greeted with cheers and applause from the rank and file.

The resignation of the present lone representative to the committee on arrangements for the July 5 demonstration was accepted and a delegation of four was elected with instructions to act. Sentiment is strongly in favor of making "Bloody Thursday" a day the Industrial Association and the Waterfront Employers will not easily forget.

C.C.C. Camp Strike

VOLUNTOWN, Conn., June 21.—200 boys of the local CCC camp have gone on strike against the slave-driving tactics of the camp superintendent. This is the second strike since the establishment of the camp.

LETTUCE WORKERS DYING OF TYPHOID IN SALINAS FIELDS

Lack of Sanitation Starts Epidemic in Camp. —Lettuce Can Be Infected

SALINAS, Calif., June 20.—Typhoid has broken out among the Filipino lettuce pickers in the Salinas Valley—called the Valley of "Green Gold" because the employers make such high profits. Five men were taken to the County hospital; three have died. When the County Health Officer, F. M. Fortier, was asked what arrangements are made in the fields for sewage disposal, he said "None." "Does this mean that the lettuce can be infected?" a medical authority was asked. "Of course," he said.

The Salinas Valley ships 90% of the lettuce of the United States. That means that there is a danger of typhoid infection from any of the lettuce shipped from here unless it is scalded before eating. Last year the shipper-growers of the Salinas Valley admitted that they made such huge profits in lettuce that they did not dare to show their books to the Arbitration Board during the strike. At that time the Filipino workers refused arbitration and were not given any increase of wages above their thirty cents an hour. Instead a number were clubbed from their ranch houses and two ranch houses burned down.

MILITANT OMAHA WORKERS STOP SCAB STREET CARS

Strikers Get Support of Majority of Omaha Residents

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tasted the workers' hatred, was knocked down at close range by a large railroad brake stick, which narrowly missed his head.

Several cops, trapped in a drug store, pleadingly persuaded the crowd to return their guns and uniforms, which leniency they answered by firing back as soon as they were released. Several scabs, trapped in stopped trolleys, were also released after their fearful pleas.

* Street Cars Stopped.

Meanwhile, every car that passed was met with a shower of missiles, until finally the company stopped sending cars to the south side. The workers, however, waited expectantly for six cars which still had to return from the south. The cars never came back, however. They were stopped by the crowd and burned, three at Albright, and three at the railroad bridge at Q street. At Albright, thousands gathered in a large vacant lot to watch and cheer. And not a policeman in sight!

With calling of the National Guard, the suspension of night

car service, and now of all car service, the suspension of the strike, action has ceased. However, all South Omaha is triumphantly discussing the demonstration.

All realize that only the militant struggles of the past few days could force the stopping of the cars, or force the company to make any sort of settlement with the union. It is clear that if the same action had been taken sooner and with the whole-hearted participation of the AFL unions, a favorable settlement could have been reached. The participants in the struggle have no enthusiasm for the offer of the union to place their fate in the hands of an arbitration board. However, one lesson has been driven home: that even in Omaha, where the unions are quite weak, the working class is militant, ready for struggle, and capable of meeting all opposition. Packing House workers, especially have seen that a united working class will support their struggles, if they do not permit timid union leaders or self-seeking politicians to kill their militancy.

Cops Puzzled—Non-Union Man Joins Pickets

MARTINEZ, Calif., June 17.—Police evinced great concern for the safety of Geo. Scott, seaman working on the scab-manned Associated Oil tanker, Tulsagas, when he disappeared Friday night. They feared he might have been "injured" by the naughty pickets.

They were no longer concerned when they learned the following day Scott had decided to join the union, had boarded the tanker, packed his luggage and joined the picket line.

Nevertheless, police patrols were strengthened just in case other seamen might decide to follow Scott to the picket lines.

MARINE UNION PLANS TO EXPEL "FINKY" FRIEDL

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Stewards, and Firemen, and called a meeting in the hall, where Smallman exposed Friedl as the "rat" who had instigated this attack.

Many other rank and file members spoke against Friedl. One man who tried to speak in favor of Friedl, was immediately shouted down. Not one of the hoodlums who composed this gang dared to be present.

* Friedl Whines.

Friedl whined, howled, barked and scraped before the membership, trying to explain his tricky action. He was charged with being an anti-union disrupter, working to break up the union, and also with being the organizer of the raid on the M.W.U. several months ago, which he admitted, under the whining apology that it "was a red meeting and he'll attack a bunch of reds anytime."

Finally, the sentiment became so great against him that he was forced to leave the meeting.

* Expulsion Planned.

A resolution was then passed by the meeting (about 300), and adopted unanimously to recommend to the Firemen's Union the immediate expulsion of this rascal.

A second resolution was voted to send a vote of confidence to Harry Bridges, for his leadership of the West Coast Maritime Workers, a copy of which was to be sent to every union on the coast.

A member of the Sailors Union read an article from the News-Pilot, quoting Pedro Peterson of the I.L.A. in an attempt to oust Bridges. The answer of the mass

History of The Amador Strike

A Brief Account of One of the Most Courageous Struggles in California Labor Annals

The Amador gold mine strike began October 1, 1934, when about 560 members of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' Local No. 48 walked out of the Argonaut, Central Eureka, Original Amador and Kennedy mines.

Peaceful picketing kept the mines closed for four and a half months. Two attempts to open them during this period failed completely.

ORGANIZER OF JOBLESS UNION TO TOUR SOUTH

NORAL TO TALK AT LONG BEACH ON JUNE 24

LOS ANGELES, June 19.—"Roosevelt Security and the Federal Works Program" will be the subject of addresses by Alex Noral during his southern California tour. Noral is state organizer of the Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations.

Noral's dates are as follows: Monday, June 24—Long Beach, Immanuel Church, 1235 Freeman avenue.

Tuesday, June 25—Santa Ana, Gonzales Hall.

Wednesday, June 26—Pasadena, 1814 Colorado.

Thursday, June 27—Belvedere, Brooklyn avenue.

Friday, June 28—Glendale, Stepper Auditorium, 220 W. Broadway.

Saturday, June 29—Sawtelle, 1636 Perdue ave.

All workers, employed and unemployed, organized and unorganized, should attend these meetings and bring their friends.

meeting was an immediate resolution to be sent to "Pedro Pete" condemning his attempt to split the West Coast I.L.A.

The firemen present decided to have a special meeting today to start recall proceedings against Friedl. Bob North, one of the leaders of the union to the local Council of Marine Crafts, and action is already under way to expel him, together with the balance of the "Beef Squad."

* Lundberg Cleared.

Brother Lundberg, president of the Maritime Federation, who was in San Pedro when these acts occurred, spoke at this meeting, and was given a tremendous ovation, demonstrating that the rank and file have confidence in the militant leadership.

Not until Arthur Warren, who is not a member of any union, was sent to Jackson by Vandeleur of the A. F. of L. were any attempts to reopen successful. On February 13 scabs were successfully run through the picket lines and crews began operations. Vigilantes were organized, were named the "Amador Protective League" and taken in charge by the Sheriff.

Warren at first had the confidence of the miners, but following the riots of Feb. 13 and 14, in the second of which he was arrested, he began to lose prestige.

Meanwhile the strikers offered to arbitrate all demands, except the demand for union recognition. The mine owners offered to grant all demands, except union recognition.

In a vigilante raid on June 5, sixty-eight pickets were arrested and the union lawyer made a "deal" whereby one goes on trial as a test case, on the legality of the anti-picketing ordinance. Meanwhile other legal "deals" by these pettifogging union lawyers have earned heavy jail and prison sentences for arrested strikers.

James F. Workman, charged with a felony frameup, became disgusted with Warren, the lawyers, and the rest of the fakers and turned his defense over to the International Labor Defense, which promptly bailed him out. He goes to trial July 2nd.

The strikers have stood solidly throughout the strike, not one going back. The miners have got scab crews now, many shipped in from as far away as Arizona and New Mexico, but they are inexperienced and production is way below normal.

Betrayal of Chico Case By Lawyers

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Johnson, and expose the whole frameup, the N.A.A.C.P. quietly sent Gordon and Richardson to Chico. The mother of one of the boys went to the N.A.A.C.P. in Los Angeles and indignantly protested that the I.L.D. was handling the defense and should not be interfered with.

Elaine Black of the I.L.D. arrived in Chico the day of the proceedings with bail money for the boys, and was told by the district attorney's office that there was no visiting that day, and that no court action was scheduled as yet. Miss Black went to the court house and was told by the judge that the case was to be disposed of immediately.

* Crooked Work.

Realizing something was up she began investigating. She observed Gordon and Richardson hobnobbing with the Army officers who were directly responsible for the whole affair and discovered they had just visited the boys. She again asked the district attorney's assistant, P. M. Barcloux, what proceedings were going to take place. He again said "none." Justice Newton came up at that moment and she asked for an explanation of the fact that Newton said the case went to trial immediately, while Barcloux said trial date had not been set. Barcloux turned red and asked Newton, "Did you tell her that?"

She was not permitted to see the boys before the proceedings, but she interrupted as they entered the court to ask them what they were doing. The boys said they had been promised honorable discharges from the CCC, the wages they had coming, and 90 day suspended sentences, if they pleaded guilty. She told them she had their bail money and they should fight, and the boys began to waver, one suggesting maybe they should wait.

* Boys Tricked.

At this point the judge pounded loudly with his gavel and opened the court. He asked if the boys wanted to change their pleas, and one began to answer, when Gordon of the N.A.A.C.P. cried, "Keep quiet! I'll do the talking here!"

Thus they were tricked into accepting the charge that they were responsible for the fight in the camp, and permitted a police record to be placed against their names.

When court had been adjourned Miss Black confronted Walter Gordon and asked if he wanted her opinion of the "deal" he had just put over. Gordon turned his back and said, "No."

From The Worker Correspondents

TUNNEL WORKERS FIGHT FOR VETILATION ON CONST. JOB

Night Shift Demands Better Food; Backs Day Shift on Air Circulation

By a Worker Correspondent.

MECCA, Calif. (Hunkin-Conkey Const. Co., Metropolitan Aqueduct Job), June 17.—The boss stalled off a threatened walk-out here last Friday. The day shift, through their elected spokesman, informed Frank (fish-face) Backlund, tunnel Supt., that they had to have some air circulation, or else.

The boss was very polite to the boys. He saw they had him. He asked some questions of the spokesman who hurt the sup's feelings by referring them to the crowd. He promised them that the "best fan money could buy" would be operating in the tunnel Monday morning.

Monday found a very good blower setting outside, ready for installation. Of course that didn't make it any cooler in the hole. But it was a cool day, so the boys went to work. The blower isn't working yet.

The graveyard (shift) couldn't eat much of the kitchen clean-up that was sent up to the tunnel at one o'clock Wednesday morning. While the were eating they heard for the first time about the day shift's demand.

They got together and sent word to the day shift that they would back them up 100 per cent, and would also demand better food in the tunnel.

The boys out here have shown that they know how to take care of themselves. If they don't get soft and let the company keep stalling them off they will be all right.

Western Worker Carrier Routes

OAKLAND, Calif., June 20.—Comrade A. R. Stephens is building up a route of Western Worker readers in West Oakland. Workers can get every issue delivered for 30c a month.

ANTI-MILITARY LEAGUE FORMED TO FIGHT R.O.T.C

GLENDALE SCHOOL BOARD GETTING WAR FEVER

GLENDALE, Calif., June 20.—The issue of ROTC training in the public schools is involving a large group of organizations here in Glendale and vicinity.

The Board of Education, in special session on May 21, railroaded through the ROTC training, with the able help of the American Legion. Immediately afterwards, a meeting was called and a committee of liberal organizations set up to prepare a fight against it.

The "League Against Militarism in Glendale Schools" was organized. This group promptly began obtaining the names of all students who had signed the application for the training, in order to contact the parents and determine the authenticity of the signatures. Only a part of the list was obtained, and the committee was told that the rest of the names were "not available."

The League met a second time with the Board of Education on June 11, and a second time voiced the protest against the ROTC training. Without a dissenting vote the Board elected to ignore the wishes of the people, and reaffirmed their stand with the jingo American Legion.

The Board of Education followed this with a ruling that hereafter any and all persons making application for the use of school buildings for meetings must first sign a statement reaffirming their allegiance to the Constitution. And the meeting itself must be opened with the advance of the colors and a salute to the flag.

The "League Against Militarization" is holding a mass meeting to combat this business. The League is a broad united front, composed of the American Youth Congress, Epic Club, Utopian Society, Ladies Auxiliary of the Congregational Church, two chair

Union Activities Get Worker Pink Slip from SERA

DISCHARGED BECAUSE HE DISTRIBUTED LEAFLETS

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—James Fueston, a leader of the fight for safety measures on the Sutter Forest SERA project has been fired for his activity as a member of the Public Workers and Unemployed Union.

He was giving out leaflets calling the men to a mass meet for discussion of the new relief set-up.

The asst. superintendent asked him to move from in front of the job, which he did. On coming to work a day or so later the timekeeper sent Fueston to see Stevens, Superintendent of Sutter Forest. Stevens asked him if he knew anything about the union leaflet, and when Fueston said he distributed it he was given a pink slip and told to report to the placement office on Potrero street.

They sent him to the project on the sea wall at the foot of Polk st. on June 10. He worked two days and got another pink slip and was sent to Potrero st. again.

This time he got a notice that since he "was discharged for cause" and in accordance with instructions now in force, he won't be given another work assignment. The notice told him that after 30 days he would get a postcard notice to report for a hearing regarding the possibility of reinstatement.

At first they refused to give him any reason for this, but he was so insistent that they finally admitted it was because of his distributing the leaflets.

The P.W.U.U. is taking up the fight and demanding immediate reinstatement with pay for time lost.

WAGE CONTRACT SIGNED BY WORKERS, BROKEN BY BOSS

Big Rancher Charges Farm Hands Chain Store Prices for Produce

By a Worker Correspondent.

Petaluma, Calif., June 20.—Two of us came up here a month and a half ago to cut wood on the ranch of John Lynch, about 7 miles from here. We paid the Reliable Employment Agency in San Francisco \$2.50 for the job, and signed a contract to cut about \$1,700 worth of wood at \$1.25 a tier, and \$1.35 a tier for hardwood Board ourselves.

We cut wood about a week, and then Lynch asked us to help him haying and other ranch work. So we thought we'd be good fellows and do it, and at the end of the week he paid us for ranch work at \$1.50 a day. Lynch charged us nearly six dollars for what we had eaten. We had to pay 11c a quart for milk, and 4c a gallon for skim milk that's just hog feed. Eggs were charged to us at 22c a dozen and then he raised the price to 23c. This was on a big ranch, but chain store prices just the same. He even charged us 30c for quitting at 5 p. m. one day instead of sundown.

MEN ON RELIEF FORCED TO SCAB IN L. A. STRIKE

STRIKING FURNITURE MEN PROTEST TO OFFICIAL

LOS ANGELES, June 19.—Despite protests, L.A.C.R.A. placement officers continue to force SERA workers to take jobs scabbing the furniture strike on threat of being permanently removed from SERA rolls. A committee from the striking furniture workers has protested time and again.

"Orders have not been issued to compel workers to take these jobs," admitted Pomero, public relations director of L.A.C.R.A., "but on the other hand orders have not been issued to stop this solicitation."

This prize rationalization of scabbering by the L.A.C.R.A. gang was advanced to a committee from the Public Works Unemployed League, when that organization took up the cudgels both for its own members who object to being used as scabs and as act of solidarity with the striking furniture workers.

Such a situation again demonstrates the urgency of closer and fuller cooperation at all times between labor unions and the organized unemployed. Only by such cooperation can the scabbering by the SERA be stopped.

East of the Rockies

Hearst Reports Huge Profits

NEW YORK, June 20.—Net profits of Hearst Consolidated Publications, Inc., all of whose common stock is owned by William Randolph Hearst, amounted to \$6,061,794 in 1934. This is only part of the income Hearst enjoys. The fact that part of it must be paid to the government perhaps explains his bitterness toward men on relief. If families are deprived of their \$7 a week, Hearst's profits might be even greater.

Earl Browder Speaks for Bonus

NEW YORK, June 20.—Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, Representative Marcantonio of New York, and General Smedley Butler spoke at a meeting of 1000 veterans Saturday night in favor of the Marcantonio Bonus Bill, H.R. 8365. It was pointed out that this bill would force the dollar-a-day men, who cleaned up fortunes in the war, to pay the veterans, while the defeated Patman Bill put the whole burden on the workers through a plan of inflation designed to raise prices.

Bill Increases President's Power

WASHINGTON, June 20.—A bill now before the Senate would give the President power to put the uniform of National Guard officers on vigilantes and business men for military strikebreaking. The bill, H.R. 5720, would give the President power to "order officials of the National Guard of the United States to active duty in an emergency" and call out troops to suppress it.

Relief Budget Endangers Health

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 20.—Many millions of Americans now on the unemployed lists may soon become unemployed through physical degeneration caused by an inadequate diet, according to Dr. Walter Campbell of the University of Toronto, an internationally known dietetics authority. Speaking at the first annual convention of the combined American and Canadian Medical Associations, he pointed out that present relief allowances would only allow people to buy food containing carbohydrates. Because of the expense, millions were going without a sufficient amount of proteins and fats for proper health. This is particularly true of expectant mothers, with harmful results for the next generation.

Fascist Admiral Launches Destroyer

NEW YORK, June 20.—The latest addition to the United States Navy, the destroyer Dale, built at a cost of \$4,000,000 was placed in service last Monday. At the ceremony commemorating the addition of another war weapon to U. S. forces, Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., spoke. He is the one who wrote an article for Hearst papers advocating war with the Soviet Union.

Philadelphia Workers Win Strike

PHILADELPHIA, June 20.—110 workers at Mrs. Shorff Mayonaise Company here ended their one-week strike against a 20 per cent increase in work hours and \$3 a week wage cut when the employers were forced to rescind their action. The strikers joined the Food Workers Federal Union and prevented any change for the worse in their present low \$13 wage for a 40-hour week.

S.F. FUR SHOP STRIKE BREAKS 15-YR. RECORD

PICKETS WIN DEMANDS IN 24-HR. WALKOUT

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—The Fur Workers' Union, Local No. 79, has fought and won the first strike in the trade, locally, in fifteen years.

The entire crew in the Dunn Fur Co. Shop at 49 4th St., struck Wednesday, June 12. They demanded that a new employee be discharged after she refused to join the shop committee. When the shop chairman asked her to join the union she not only refused, but was insulting in her remarks.

The chairman and the shop committee protested to the boss, who immediately fired them. The walkout followed.

The union picketed the shop Wednesday morning and evening, and Thursday the owner gave in and granted all demands. The scab was fired, the union recognized and the strikers received a half-day's pay for the day they were out.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—The Fur Workers' Industrial Union of Los Angeles and Fur Workers' Local No. 79 of San Francisco held a joint conference on Saturday, June 15. A joint board was established to lay down a program for cooperation by the fur unions to better conditions in the trade in the two cities.

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MILITANT WINS IN PEDRO I.L.A. DELEGATE RACE

PEDRO PETE REPUTIATED WHEN RANK AND FILE TAKES ACTION

SAN PEDRO, Calif., June 20.—Winning by a majority of 145 votes, Joe Simmons, militant I.L.A. member, was elected delegate from the San Pedro Local of the International Longshoremen's Association to the New York Convention to be held on July 8th.

In electing Simmons the rank and file of the union crushed Lindgren, author of the notorious "minority report" at the Maritime Federation Convention held in April. Lindgren is part of the reactionary Petersen sell-out machine. Lindgren's sole plank in his platform was his consistent attack on the militant San Francisco local.

The election is a big step forward in uniting the forces of the maritime workers on the Pacific Coast. It shows that Petersen's call to "purge the union of 'radicals'" (militant workers) has been repudiated by the great majority of the union. It shows that the I.L.A. local is moving to free itself of the treacherous class collaboration policy to which Lindgren and Petersen tried to tie it. At the same time it openly showed that the membership is behind a program to recall the miserable leadership of Joe Ryan, who is fighting for a single national agreement for all longshoremen, for unity with all other maritime workers.

* Fletcher Wins.

The I.L.A. local at the same time elected Fletcher as successor to Petersen who resigned as secretary to become Ryan's "organizer" for the Pacific Coast. Fletcher defeated Lindgren who ran for this job also.

Paul Scharrenberg Afraid to Show Up At L.A. Labor Meet

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN PEDRO, Calif., June 20.—When Paul Scharrenberg didn't show up at the Trinity Auditorium to speak under the auspices of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council, he probably saved himself a bit of "embarrassment" to say the least.

The Sailors' Union had elected a delegation to protest the appearance of this expelled faker. Maybe "our Paul" suddenly discovered some more "legislative" ills which demanded his personal attention.

The next we expect to hear from Paul will be when the Central Labor Council of Death Valley invites him to speak. Maybe that's far enough away from the waterfront. We personally doubt that that faker stinks to high heaven wherever he goes.

Nazi Butchers Go Crazy with Power

This letter is the third we have published by this writer, a sailor on a U. S. line who travels back and forth between here and Germany. For obvious reasons all identifying material has been deleted.

By a Seaman.

Dear Comrades:

I'm still on this old ship and plying between the same ports. This, however, is my last trip and I'm going up into the mountains for a two month rest. The work was so damned hard that I didn't even have ambition to make any entries into my diary.

I am glad to hear that you were able to use the pictures I sent. I didn't get very much more as I kinda thought they might get suspicious. Things out in Germany are terribly unsettled. The people are complaining about the conditions openly. They are terribly taxed right and left. The money is going toward munitions and arms. Soldiers march up and down the streets day and night singing military songs. Even at night too. That is to get the people used to war sights. Planes fly overhead continually and the smell of powder is already in the air.

I * * * and managed to get permission to speak to none other than Herr Hitler. At any rate I guess the fellow has got more luck than brains.

I found out from inside circles that he is not the man who is running the show. The real culprits are Henry Ford, Junkers, Krupp and the rest of them. These big capitalists are telling him what to do. You see, if a fight starts, this gang is in a position to clean up on the rest of the world. Hit-

ler is merely a sergeant who is gone crazy with power. He is well surrounded by a gang of hoodlums who are only fit to be butchers. He and his mob are running the country against the people's wishes. If any one dares to open his mouth—punish—they disappear. I know that as many as eight people a day are beheaded in the city of Hamburg alone! On the quiet!

I also discovered that the Nazis are not worried about France or England, but strange as it may seem, they are all hot about Czechoslovakia, and Poland and Russia. It is on account of the birth rate and their program of expansion.

I went to one of their meetings * * * and got a lot of valuable information, relating to population, death rates and percentages of insanity. They also produced a page which was torn from an old Jewish book, which was confiscated from a synagogue. The page had a woodcut which they claim proved that the Jews killed gentiles for their blood to put in the matzot! They are intending to open another drive on the Jews pretty soon to eliminate the smaller business man. They have already done away with the Jewish professional man.

They have wonderful war equipment that is the world's equal, being that it is new and up to date. Ships are being built right and left and every factory is doing its share. All in all it's 1914 all over again.

Well * * *, I guess I wrote enough as I have to get back to work.

Best regards to * * * and write again and let me know what's doing out in California. * * *

Honor Workers' Artist at S. F. Memorial Meet

SAN FRANCISCO, June 7.—Comrade Yosi Cutler, widely known among the Jewish workers of the country, has been killed in an auto accident while on a cross-country tour in the interests of the Jewish "Morning Freiheit". The Freiheit is the language paper of the Jewish workers.

Comrade Cutler was a writer and cartoonist, who lampooned the bosses in humorous short stories that were read throughout the country. His books of revolution, poems, stories and pictures are displayed proudly on many a worker's bookshelf.

A memorial meeting in his honor will be held Sunday, June 23, at 8 p. m. at Franklin Hall, 1850 Fillmore street, where readings will be given from his works. All Jewish workers and sympathizers should attend.

Fresno Workers' Picnic Gets Funds For Workers' Press

FRESNO, Calif., June 20.—On June 9 Fresno Unit No. 4, 103 1/2 North 1st, gave their Annual Picnic at a ranch near here.

The program included well-prepared folk music and dances and mass singing.

Speakers represented the Young Communist League, the unemployed and S.F.A. workers and the Armenian workers. Comrade Bediesian who spoke for the Armenian Assoc. has just left for Soviet Armenia where he and his family are joining an article.

Proceeds of the affair totalled \$15, of which \$20 was sent to the Western Worker and \$20 will go to the Daily Banner, the Armenian Daily Worker published in New York.

Unit 4 challenges the rest of the Fresno units to a socialist competition.

SCHARRENBURG REPUDIATED BY PEDRO SAILORS

STATE A.F.L. FEDERATION RAPPELLED; BRIDGES WINS VOTE OF CONFIDENCE

SAN PEDRO, Calif., June 20.—At the Monday night's meeting of the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, Harry Lundberg, president of the Maritime Federation, was present and was warmly received by the membership.

Brother Lundberg is in Pedro to see what was holding up the I.L.A. in the forming of a Maritime Council in Pedro.

In reply to the slanderous attacks made by Scharrenberg and the top officialdom of the State Federation of Labor, the Sailors Union passed a vote of confidence in Harry Bridges and Harry Lundberg for their splendid leadership of the waterfront workers and the Maritime Federation. A resolution was also passed condemning the action of the Executive Council of the State Federation in their phony "red scare" which they are trying to splash all over the state, and for their terming the ousting of Scharrenberg the work of "Communist character assassins."

* Score Top Officials.

The membership then turned its guns on the Executive Committee of the L.S.U. in the East and ordered a letter sent to them and to all locals of the L.S.U. condemning the inky letter sent here in which the Executive Council had called for the expulsion of all militant elements from the union. By this action the membership of the Sailors Union demonstrated that they will reject any attempts to disrupt or break up the union.

In regard to the Maritime Federation, the "Voice of the Federation," its official paper, was endorsed by this local as its official paper, and Patrolman Quintenon was named correspondent for this paper.

It was also voted to boycott the "American Seaman" and the "Seamen's Journal," two rags which have been attempting to disrupt the ranks of the seamen and back Scharrenberg's red scare to the limit.

Can You Help Headquarters?

Paint, painters, and carpenters are needed to fix up the new District Headquarters of the Communist Party at 121 Haight street in San Francisco. Workers who can donate paint, or who can volunteer to work should report at that address any time during the day.

If anyone has a desk, or two desks, that can be donated just let us know and we'll come after them.

Blankets are also needed. Watch for Announcement of Housewarming Party.

Foreign News Briefs

Spain Unemployment Increases

MADRID, Spain, June 21.—Spain is suffering from an increased amount of unemployment. On March 31 of this year there were 704,482 registered unemployed as compared to 666,628 last year. The crisis in industry, together with the drought in agricultural regions this year mean a steady worsening of conditions for workers.

Finland Plans Arms Expansion

HELSINGFORS, Finland, June 21.—A state committee has made a report to the cabinet advocating increased appropriations for military preparations. It is proposed to follow a seven year plan to build up the armed forces of Finland by acquiring modern airplanes and war ships.

Italy Expels American Reporter

ROME, Italy, June 21.—The correspondent of the Chicago Tribune, David Darrah, was expelled from Italy by detectives who seized him and put him directly on a train. The expulsion, caused by his sending news dispatches which displeased Mussolini, violated an express promise that no foreign correspondent would be deported without notice to the Foreign Press Association.

Soviet Planting Plan Completed

MOSCOW, June 20.—The plan of spring planting was fulfilled on June 10, when 225,000,000 acres, or 100.4% of the plan was sown. The collective farms were 6% above the plan, the state farms about even, while the individual farms were lagging behind. The successful completion of the sowing, in a shorter time than ever before, insures a record crop. The production of machinery to harvest the crop is proceeding successfully, and the plan for combined harvesters and threshers has been increased from 20,000 to 25,000 for the year because the former plan was being greatly exceeded.

Nazis Hide Explosion Death Tolls

REINSBORF, Germany, June 20.—The Nazi censors are making every effort to hide the true total of losses in the explosion shattered munition plant here.

No one is allowed to come near the plant. Official figures, giving the death toll as fifty-two, are scoffed at by villagers. More than 13,000 worked in the plant. The first explosion occurred at 3 in the afternoon, and successive explosions followed until 8:30. The number of dead sacrificed to Hitler's war plans is believed to be at least a thousand.

Canadian Relief Strikers March

REGINA, Sask., June 20.—The vanguard of British Columbia relief strikers, who are marching on Ottawa, have arrived here. Although police were ordered to disband them, more than 2,000 marched through the streets of the city in defiance of any effort to prevent the parade. The caravan is going to the Canadian capital to protest intolerable relief camp conditions, which caused the strike.

Nazis Arrest Storm Troopers

ESSEN, Germany, June 20.—Mass arrests of Storm Troopers are taking place in the Ruhr. At Dinslaken alone twenty-seven Storm Troopers were arrested at one time. Nazi authorities are trying to stifle any protests against wage cuts in the Ruhr factories.

S. F. Children Can Go to Summer Camp

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—A comrade in the San Joaquin Valley is organizing a summer camp for children on his farm. Children of six years or over are thus offered an opportunity to go swimming, learn to milk cows, get plenty of good food and recreation. If your small boy doesn't know how milk tastes before the milk trust takes out the cream and butter fat and bottles it for the chain stores, then here's his chance to find out. Write to Box 5, care of the Western Worker, for particulars.

Jobless Jottings

By the Boondoggler.

A beggar selling pencils fifty feet away from five hundred million dollars in cash and securities... * * *

A crippled woman on crutches struggling up the two hundred steps of Angelus Flight in L. A. while the car is going up empty... * * *

A house unfinished, construction discontinued, with a for rent sign in the window... * * *

Two men building a filling station by the highway with a vacant filling station on either side... * * *

Fifty hitch hikers in fifty miles of highway—thirteen cars with dogs riding—five hundred and thirty nine cars with room for other passengers... * * *

A relief official hanging up the telephone in the midst of a conversation with a relief client who had spent her last nickel to call to find out about her missing relief check... * * *

The head of a relief department lunching with a female assistant, paying a two dollar luncheon check and returning to the office to turn away a man and wife, crying and sobbing in desperation because they and their children were hungry... * * *

Samuel Insull acquitted in his third trial... says the paper in the hands of a spectator in the court room... While Superior Judge Ruben Smith sentences a S.F. worker to Folsom Prison for 1 to 14 years for signing his landlords name to a Relief Rent check... * * *

Colleen Moores \$435,000.00 Doll House is on display... Directors of the Bank of America announce a quarterly dividend of \$1,275,000... The Junior Chamber of Commerce observe National Americanism Day lunching at the Biltmore hotel... While a homeless woman faints from hunger and girls on relief are advised by their investigators to supplement their starvation budgets through prostitution... This is Sunny Southern California. * * *

One-man cars mean one man starves! Boycott one-man cars and protest the injunction granted to the Market Street Railway by Judge Louderback. * * *

The Western Worker can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have it, ask him to stock it.

World Events and Western Workers

Kuo Min Tang Betrays North China Provinces to Japan

By Emmett Kirby

Workers in Tientsin Fight Japanese Soldiers Despite Surrender of Nationalist Government; Red Army Consolidates in Szechwan; Mussolini's War Plans Met By Mutinies of Soldiers in Italy

Communist elements. The anti-Japanese and anti-imperialist movement in China, deeprooted among the workers and peasants and many of the middle class, cannot be legislated out of existence by a betrayal agreement of a few top generals of the Kuo Min Tang.

* Consolidation in Szechwan.

In the meantime reports from further west indicate that no attempt has yet been made by the Red Army on the capital of Szechwan, the city of Chengtu. Capture of cities in the vicinity indicate the Red Army is strongly consolidating itself, however.

Other reports show that the move to include a large portion of Shansi and Kansu to the west and toward the Soviet Union and north into the Mongolian People's Republic continue. This will serve as a protective buffer area for the Szechwan Soviet Republic.

Lacking definite information at the moment as to exact positions, strength of the KMT and the Red Army, and other vital considerations, it is impossible to guess when Chengtu, a city of almost the size of San Francisco, may be taken. Previous experience in 1928 in the capture of Changsha, which had to be surrendered immediately, has developed the policy of the Red Army of not attempting to take big cities and thus draw down on themselves the superior forces of the combined imperialists as well as the KMT.

An instance of this was later in 1932 when the Red Army camped as far from Hankow as Hollywood is from downtown Los Angeles or Colma from San Francisco. But no attack was launched. Instead the presence of the Red Army, and its assistance, aided the organization and radicalization of the proletariat within the city.

* Achievements.

This may be the case in Szechwan at the moment. That the Red Army has lost none of its captured territory, that it is consolidating its strength and establishing the 50,000 peasants and workers who made the march with it from Kiangsi, that it is Sovietizing the captured territory, and that it is building the army by the recruiting and training of between 100,000 and 200,000 is known.

The date of the capture of Chengtu, which is important, but not imperative to the establishment of the Szechwan Soviet, can not be guessed at blindly. But certainly the betrayal of the five northern provinces to Japan has done nothing to speed it up.

In Europe Mussolini continues raving about protecting the gates of Rome from the Ethiopians and backs it up by sending more troops to Africa. From Addis Ababa, capital of the last independent country on the African continent, comes word that the Negro kingdom can and will put 800,000 fully equipped soldiers into

the field to defend against Mussolini's attack. Back of them stand all the physically able of the 150,000,000 population.

* Fear African Uprising.

The venture would be a costly one for fascist Italy. The alienation of Britain on this issue shows the desperation of Mussolini's position as well as do the disastrous conditions at home. Britain, as well as France, the United States, Japan, and Belgium, fear that the colonial masses of Negroes will be stirred to widespread action if Ethiopia is attacked.

And the situation in Italy shows that despite Mussolini's speech making tour, the workers are not wholeheartedly behind the conquest as he would have the world believe. For faster than he can jump from one city to another to orate in justification of war, even faster grows the number of anti-war demonstrations of the people.

And mutinies continue among the troops who are asked to deposit their corpses in the mountain and jungle passes of Abyssinia for the eternal glory of Mussolini and the profits of his corporals in the corporative state. These actions have been the answer of members of the armed forces for the past few months. The latest number reported is of fifty-three different mutinies in new places.

* Troops Mutiny.

Here are a few examples: In the barracks at Messina and Florence the soldiers of two mobil-

ized division demonstrated against war. Around the barracks, the people of both cities demonstrated and shouted with the soldiers. The fascist government could not keep these mutinies secret within the country.

At the Central Station in Milan, the soldiers who had "graduated" into the African expeditionary forces, as they were leaving shouted: "Fascists, you go to the war. We don't want to! We have got to go and get killed, while you cowards stay here." This led to fighting. Many fascists were hurt. Eleven of the departing soldiers were arrested.

At Pavia, during a picture performance, a group of students tried to applaud for Africa. Soldiers present in the audience attacked the pro-fascist students, beating them up and driving them out of the theater.

At Galliera, in the very busiest center of the town, a clash took place between recruits of the class of 1914 and the reservists of 1911.

A group of the class of 1914 carried a banner reading: "Long live the class of 1914, the iron class!" Groups of 1911 reservists immediately surrounded them, shouting: "You will know about that when we get to Abyssinia! You are being sent to slaughter by the fascists! Down with the war!" Fascist militia men intervened and arrested many of the reservists.

At the barracks of the Fascist Militia on Poggio street, Galliera, when 700 militiamen were called upon to join the regiments leaving for Africa, only two responded. All the others flatly re-

THE MAGNIFICENT COURAGE OF JULIUS ALEXANDER

By MICHAEL GOLD

JULIUS ALEXANDER, a young Jewish machinist from the Bronx, stands six feet, four inches in his socks. He has shoulders like a buffalo, and fists like sledges.

He looks rough, but Mr. Alexander has never been in police court in his life. He is a family man of peace, a good machinist, and a steady worker, a pillar of Bronx respectability. What is more, Mr. Alexander is a model American citizen.

Last week this amiable human skyscraper was driving his little Ford homeward to the Bronx. Passing through Yorkville, which is the section in New York where the German immigrants live, Mr. Alexander's car broke down. He pulled over to the curb in front of 228 East 86th Street and began tinkering with his car.

"We can be sure his heart was still at peace. A broken-down car does not irritate a born machinist; indeed, one of his reasons for keeping a car is to fill his life with these blissful interludes when he can tinker with it. Then two fat burghers sauntered by and snickered at him.

* * * Buzz of Mosquitoes.

One of them said distinctly, "It looks like a dirty Jew." This amazed Mr. Alexander. There are over two million Jews in New York. Most have stopped feeling any different from other human beings. Mr. Alexander, for instance, always thought of himself as an American. He was not ashamed of being a Jew, but he never could see why the fact was important one way or another. And here was a stranger sneering at him, "Look at the dirty Jew."

So Mr. Alexander stood up to his full height and said, "Seaman! That was all, but the two fat men screamed. Then Mr. Alexander saw a sign hanging from the building where he had parked. The sign screeched in large letters: "Gentiles, organize! Unite and fight Jewish Talmudic terrorism!"

What right had anyone to hang a sign like this in the street? Did it mean that they were trying to start a massacre of the Jews?

Mr. Alexander's parents had once told him how the Czar's drunken gangsters used to kill and persecute the Jews in Russia. But this was America; this was New York; nothing like that could happen here. Wasn't there a Declaration of Independence and a Constitution? Hadn't thousands of young Jews fought in the War that made America safe for democracy? Wasn't Congressman Stropher a Jew?

The bewildered giant stood there for many minutes, reflecting painfully. Finally, as an American citizen, he decided that a sign like that had no place here, and that it was his duty to destroy it.

So he got two mops that he happened to have in his car, and calmly and methodically set about pulling the sign down.

* * * Doing His Duty.

It happened that some 300 German Nazis were having one of their regular meetings in that building. The speaker was an obscure racketeer named Healey, who was on the Hitler payroll.

"A shriek of horror rang from the crowd," squeaked a little Brown Shag who had happened to look

out of the window. "They are tearing down the sign!"

Healey's face paled to the shade of milk of magnesia. He was stricken dumb. Yes, for a terrible moment it seemed as if the ball-bearings on his glib tongue had worn out, and his career on the Nazi payroll ended forever.

All around him the other Nazis gibbered, squeaked and rattled. It was a dreadful moment. Communists! The Communists were coming, their most powerful enemy! It was then that Healey rose to the full stature of his manhood. There was a pitcher on the speaker's table. He seized it with great presence of mind. Bold as a stuffed lion, he made for the window, where he poured water down on the hard-working Mr. Julius Alexander.

"You dirty Jewish coward!" he yelled, "away with you! Go back to your President Rosenfeld! Heil Hitler!"

It was to no avail. Mr. Alexander is not afraid of a little ice-water. A Yorkville crowd had gathered, hundreds of onlookers, among whom were many young Nazi hussies from the beer-halls, lads with brass knuckles, blackjacks and other weapons of the Hitler culture. They were threatening Mr. Alexander, it seems.

By this time everyone had realized that Mr. Alexander was alone. The panic had been steeped. Now the 300 Nazis in the hall charged down the steps like a new Light Brigade, and also attacked Mr. Alexander. Blows and kicks rained upon him, and shouts and curses. But he proceeded calmly with what he thought his American duty and finished tearing down the sign.

Then he turned around slowly, put his fists up in the regulation manner, and took on the 400 Nazis. It was his simple American duty. He was doing quite a bit of damage when the police arrived. Perhaps this is fortunate for the innocent giant; Nazis don't fight with their fists; but use sneaky knives and kidnapers' blackjacks.

* * * How to Fight the Nazis.

And that's the whole story. Except that the lionhearted Healey actually brought charges of assault and battery against Mr. Alexander. He charged the machinist with a brutal assault on the 400 Nazis. The charge, strangely enough, was dismissed.

And what is the great lesson of all this? First, that the Nazis for National Socialist Workers Party of American Aryans, as they call themselves, no less, have been having these meetings for over a year, and lancing out the same stunts. Men like Mr. Alexander should read the Daily Worker and study those things that are happening in New York and America, so they will not again be taken by surprise.

Second lesson: Mr. Alexander is not a Communist, or he would know that the best way to fight these Nazis is to organize the working people of America, be they Jew and Gentile, Yankee, Negro and German, into a great army that will defend the workers' rights against the deluded slaves of Hitler. No individual, even one as powerful as Julius Alexander, can do this alone.

A new pamphlet, "Hearst—Labor's Enemy No. 1," by James Casey, 3c. Read it, sell it to your neighbors, and help build the boycott.

An Eye Witness Account Of Chico CCC Race Riot

Army Officers Made No Move to Prevent Stoning of Negroes And Captain Ignored White Chauvinism of Drunken Sergeant in Sub-Camp

Following is the statement of one of the Negro boys who was in CCC Camp Cohasset, near Chico, at the time of the race riot there. As an aftermath of the affair four Negro boys were jailed on charges of assault with a deadly weapon. One of the Army officers in charge of the camp tried to frame the boys with a story one of them slashed him in the face with a knife. It was not until after the International Labor Defense began a campaign for the prisoners that the charges were reduced to "disturbing the peace."

By Raymond Patterson.

LOS ANGELES, Calif.,

May 31, 1935.

Well, the story begins like this. We were sent from Fort MacArthur, San Pedro, Calif., arriving at Chico May 14, where we were sent to Camp Cohasset, which is eleven miles northeast of Chico. The commanding officer checked our things. It was then about lunchtime. We all had lunch, came back and finished checking after lunch. The first sergeant directed us to barracks Nos. 1, 2, and 3.

Soon after we began to occupy the designated sleeping quarters, the white workers began to move out of these barracks into barracks No. 4, shaking those who did not move immediately. There was muttering about having to sleep under niggers or even in the same barracks with niggers. We held our peace while all this went on. The next morning the captain gave a speech reminding them that they had moved without orders from him. Also that his plan had been to take care of the "distressing situation" himself.

The forestry men had remarked to a worker upon our arrival that they "would work the hell out of us or send us home." During all this we created no commotion.

* Quarrel Over Blanket.

"Then on Sunday night a fellow worker by the name of Bugas, while fixing his bunk, got into trouble. A white worker who slept under him was one of the few the captain had not moved out. He decided that Bugas was making too much noise.

He said, "You cut that noise out!"

Bugas replied, "Someone has stolen one of my blankets." The white worker became tense, saying, "You mean to insinuate that I am a thief?"

No answer from Bugas. Then Bugas said, "But someone has stolen my blanket and I have a right to find it."

At this the white worker a-kel Bugas, who was a white worker, realized the other fellow was too large. Hills, another colored worker, realizing the same as Bugas, came over and attempted to stop the fight. By this time a white worker by the name of Nelson, made a pass at Hills and hit Donald Johnson, another colored worker. They fought it out in a fair fist fight. By this time Cornelius Smith had come from another barracks, hearing the commotion. He came just in time to get a blow from Bugas' opponent. Then

Smith and the white worker had it out in a fair fist fight.

* Officer Appears.

The lieutenant appeared on the scene, and shouted, "Stop!" and "Stop, you fellows!" White workers had crowded the Barracks No. 2 in which the fight occurred. The lieutenant took the names of Donald Johnson, Cornelius Smith and several others. We all went back to bed after he had ordered us. No more happened that night.

The captain called us all in the next morning. The men who were in the fight were ordered to remain in camp that day. We went out on detail as usual. Meantime four boys had come back from a sub-camp, fourteen miles from Camp Cohasset. They came in late Sunday evening all drenched and hungry and tired from their journey. They had walked the distance. They related a story of their experience at the sub-camp.

* Sergeant Drunk.

The sergeant called them in his office at the sub-camp, where he lay on a couch half drunk, a gun on one side of him and a knife on the other. "Listen, you men," he went on to them, "I will call you niggers every time I see your black faces!" The boys couldn't digest this greeting from the sergeant. So they set out for the main camp. Captain Raymond Haltzmann was told all this.

His regret was expressed by ordering them all back to the sub-camp the next day. One of the boys refused to go back, which resulted in a discharge, and he was sent back to Los Angeles, going back that same day.

On Monday evening the white workers, including all the Mexican workers, held a meeting behind the tool house. The lieutenant attended this meeting. Nothing happened that night. But we were all on our toes as to what might happen. We worked Tuesday as usual on road detail. There was a ball game Tuesday night. Camp Cohasset played Chico. The lieutenant gave all leaves who wanted to attend the ball game. Some of the boys did not go on account of suffering from immolation for typhoid. The trucks came back from the ball game around ten o'clock with the last truck arriving about 1:30 a. m.

* Negroes Stoned.

Augustus Swift hurt his hand by accident. Conlin assisted him out to the washroom. They were met by a volley of stones and rocks, and they found refuge in the bathroom. By this time the white workers were yelling "Come out, you blacks, you black s— of b—!" They continued to throw rocks and call vile names. Our leader got us up to go outside to see if we could keep them from molesting our fellow workers. We tried the back door, but were met with a volley of rocks. Also vile language. We rushed to the front door, coming between barracks No. 1 and No. 2. The lieutenant and doctor had appeared on the scene. We began to shout: "What are you going to do?" and "Are you going to stop them?"

Their reply was, "I don't know what I can do. Cornelius Smith took the lieutenant by the arm and asked him to stop them. He finally yelled, "Hey, fellows, wait a minute!" They stopped for a few seconds, then resumed throwing rocks in his presence. He ordered us over to the orderly room. But they did not let up, and continued to throw rocks at us all the way over to the day room. All this time much muttering and vile names could be heard. Unlocking the tool house and issuing pick handles just like issuing food to a pack of hungry wolves, the white workers assembled in what you may call an Indian powwow, —a sort of ring.

* Negroes Shot At.

During all this commotion a revolver was emptied at two of the colored boys, but did not hit them. It was said that an "immortal bystander" possessed the gun, but it was an elderly man who works in the camp library. The captain was away during all this. He soon arrived after we assembled in the day room.

He made no effort to stop the aggressors. Then the white workers demanded that every one of us, once at a time, go back to the barracks and get our things and beat it off down the road one by one. This lieutenant and captain agreed with them. But we refused to do this which brought a volley of rocks. The captain still made no efforts to stop them. We, at this time, heard the captain talking over the phone. He used these words, "This is an emergency. We were given a physical examination, preparation for our transportation home was in full swing. At this point we were permitted and assisted to our barracks one by one to get our things. The mob crowded around, still watching our every move. Vile names continued."

Signed, RAYMOND PATTERSON.

UNITED FRONT COMMITTEE TO PLAN JULY 5

(Continued From Page 1)

As, Marine Firemen, Oilers and Water Tenders, the Seafarers, and the International Longshoremen's Association. The M.M. and P. and the Firemen delegates are seated as observers.

The Central Labor Council, as well as all unions and workers' organizations are to be asked to endorse and take part in this memorial day of the workers.

A mass meeting, open to the public will be held at Dreamland Park at 8 p. m. of that day where speakers will address the workers on the purpose for which the day is set aside.

BUILD THE Western Worker ARMY

Subscriptions Below Goal in Drive for 3500 New Readers—Four Times More Needed Each Week

Out of state subscriptions in the past week were received from Pratt, Kansas; Fort Stanton, New Mexico; Great Falls, Montana; Camas Valley, Oregon; and Fallon, Nevada. Within the state the following subscriptions were received:

Los Angeles	38
San Francisco	17
East Bay	8
Sacramento	5
Los Gatos	3
Stockton	2
Menlo Park	2
Chico	2
Broderick	1
Fort Bragg	1
Vallejo	1
Monterey	1
San Bernardino	1
San Pedro	1
Richmond	1
Manchester	1
Roseville	1
Knights Landing	1
TOTAL	92

This is better than 64 last week, but still not enough. San Diego again remains on the black list. For a city that sends in a lot of swell stories, which should interest its inhabitants, it couldn't possibly do any worse.

It will take more than 92 subscriptions a week to equal our plan of 3,500 new readers by Labor Day. Has any section set a quota for itself? If so write in and let us hear about it.

Most of the migratory workers who have spent the winter in and near the cities have gone to the country for work. Consequently Sacramento and other big cities report some falling off in Western Worker sales. This does not mean less interest in the paper; but many of its readers are out of town. By the same token, it should be easier to sell our paper in small towns to which the workers have gone. But our comrades in the small towns are not doing

their duty by increasing their bundle orders at a time when there are more workers near them wanting the Western Worker.

Some farm workers have gone to Arbuckle, and ask for a bundle of 10 to be sent them for the next 5 weeks. This example should be followed by other workers. Have a bundle sent to the place you are working for the duration of your stay there, and then have it sent to your next destination. Otherwise you will miss the paper, and you can be certain a lot of other workers you will meet want to read the Western Worker.

While we are on the subject, we hear that farm wages are low, and big farmers are only too anxious to cut them further. What better means is there to organize the workers to resist a wage cut than to circulate some Western Workers on the ranch where you work.

J. C. sends in his subscription from Nevada with the remark, "I don't want to miss a copy, you are doing great work." Menlo Park sends in two new subscriptions with the remark, "More power to the first Daily Western Worker on the West Coast." The Western Worker will be a daily, and that in not a long time, but the greatest aid to bringing that about is a bigger subscription list and more papers on the news stands.

Thanks for the subscription from Chico. It was sent by a worker who has been reading the paper for two years. Money was rather scarce, so he used to borrow the Western Worker. But that way he occasionally missed an issue, so he sent in his subscription. A dollar looks pretty big to some workers today, but it would look a lot bigger if they didn't have a Western Worker to help them out.

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Rumanian Fascists Call for Pogroms

BUCHAREST, Rumania, June 21.—The Rumanian Jews face pogroms at the hands of the National Peasant Party, the leading Rumanian Party. Because of the economic distress of the peasantry, this party is being used to set up a fascist dictatorship. First step in this direction was taken when King Carol was "denounced" as being under the influence of a Jewish mistress, Magda Lupescu. It is hoped to turn the wrath of Rumanian masses from the direction of their economic woes into the channels of chauvinism.

Negro Speakers to Address S. F. Youth Mass Meet, June 26

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—Continuing the fight to free Angelo Herndon, the American Youth Congress is calling a mass meeting on Tuesday, June 26, at 8:00 p. m., at Franklin Hall, 1859 Fillmore street, to popularize the campaign to win his unconditional release.

The American Youth Congress appeals to the membership of all unions and organizations to come to the mass meeting.

The main speakers will be Luke Rasser, young Negro member of the Young Men's Progressive Association, and Rev. E. D. Haines, Negro minister of San Francisco. Elaine Black will represent the International Labor Defense.

Meat Price Strike Reaches Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 21.—The consumers' meat strike has spread to Pittsburgh. Under the leadership of the Peoples' Consumers League a mass strike meeting was held here at which demands were made for a 30 per cent cut in meat prices. Already five shops have cut prices 5 cents a pound.

radical phrases. No wonder the Party in its resolution of May 13, on opportunism, points out the dangers and cites the swamp of opportunism in which these comrades are in.

Negotiations Refused.

In the dress industry the situation is still worse. The manufacturers refuse to negotiate while at the same time they are prolonging the hours from 35 to 45 per week etc.

Are the workers ready for struggle? Judging from observation, they are, for the coming running and demanding action, against the prolonging of hours.

What is to be done?

First, to declare strikes against these manufacturers who prolong hours and cut wages. Second, to refuse to work on samples for the new season which speedily is approaching. Third, prepare the machinery for a general strike, not only to maintain what the workers already have won, but to win new gains which can be wrung from the bosses.

Annual RECEPTION & DINNER Saturday, June 22 Given for Workers Training School Students MUSIC - ENTERTAINMENT DANCING Special Play "THE RED CARE" By Workers Theater Franklin Hall, 1859 FILLMORE ST. Dinner Start at 5 p. m. Program at 8:00 p. m. COME AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS Admission 25c

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San Francisco

COME AND SUPPORT Ten Years of Struggle in Defense of Workers' Rights. I.L.D. 10th Anniversary Celebration, Friday, June 28th, 8 P. M. Redmen's Hall, 3053 16th Street. Good program and Speakers. Adm. Free!

SIXTH ANNUAL I.L.D. PICNIC, Sunday, July 14. A Barrel of Fun—Something to do all day. Varsity Park, Portola Rd. Dancing, Games, Eats. Admission 25c.

ALL SAN FRANCISCO MASS ORGANIZATIONS and Party Sections are urged to save the date of JUNE 22D, when the District Training School reception will take place at Franklin Hall, 1859 Fillmore street. Special Entertainment: Features, Plays, Skits, Music, Dancing. Dinner served, 25 Cents, from 5 p. m. on. Admission tickets 15 cents in advance—25 cents at door.

SUNDAY, JUNE 23, 8 P. M.—Entertainment and Dance, Corinthian Hall, 245 Valencia st. Aspicus: Greek Workers (Spartakus) Club. Admission 25c.

SATURDAY, JUNE 29, 8 P. M. Mission Branch I.L.D. Dance and Entertainment. Bonita Hall, 24th street, near Folsom street. Admission 25c.

CELEBRATION AND HOUSE WARMING, 121 Haight street, June 21, at 8:00 P. M. See large advertisement.

NOTICE! WANTED IMMEDIATELY. Typist for Workers' School, 463 Hayes Street.

JUNE 29TH—BIG DANCE and ENTERTAINMENT as reception to Bert D. Leech, Jr., new Pacific Coast Organizer of the American League Against War and Fascism. Five Door Prizes. Good Entertainment and a Grand Time for all. Don't fail to come. 68 Haight street, 8:00 P. M., June 29th.

"DESERTER", Soviet Sound Film, Directed by Pudovkin. The dramatic story of a strike on the German waterfront. Also news reel of May Day in S. F. and a sound cartoon comedy. Sunday and Monday, 8 p. m., June 23 and 24. At 121 Haight street. Benefit City Section, C. P. Admission 15c.

"GOD'S IN HIS HEAVEN"—Theater Union Prize Play. New Theater Night, Pine street Playhouse, 1009 Pine street, July 13 and 14, at 8:30 p. m.

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Oakland

INTERNATIONAL LABOR DEFENSE. Oakland Branches, calls upon you to support the 10th Anniversary Celebration, Carpenters' Hall, 763, 12th st., Oakland, Saturday, June 22, at 8:00 P. M. Mass Meeting and Concert. Chairman: Sonia Faltman. Guest Speaker: Minnie Carson Musical and Vocal Numbers. Admission 15c.

FIRST EAST BAY SHOWING of Soviet Talkie Film, "THE DESERTER", a personal story of a waterfront worker in Hamburg, Germany, and his trip to the Soviet Union as a delegate, etc.—Also Comedy and News-reel. Carpenters' Hall, 761 - 12th street, Oakland, Friday, June 28, at 8 p. m. Admission 15c. Also: COME EARLY, same place, same date, 5 to 7:30 p. m. for Home-made Kaviola Dinner, 25 cents.

Los Angeles

Workers forum, 230 S. Spring St., L. A. Every Sunday night—8 p. m. Admission ten cents.

NINTH ANNUAL PICNIC—Women's Council No. 1 at Lancaster Lake, Sunland, Calif., Sunday, June 30. Admission 25c. Trucks leave 9:30 a. m. from corner Mott and Brooklyn aves. Directions: San Fernando rd. to Verdugo, follow Verdugo rd. to Foothill blvd. turn left to Sunland and Lancaster Lake.

Anti-Japanese Governor Fired

SHANGHAI, China, June 21.—The Nanking government has removed General Sung Chieh-yuan from his governorship of Chahar at Japanese demands, because they were afraid he might resist their efforts to conquer northern China. The Chinese army in Peiping left the city while Japanese planes overhead supervised the departure.

Los Angeles I.L.D.
10th Anniversary Celebration
Saturday, June 29, at 8:00 P.M.

PROGRAM

- 1.—Laya Kessner, N. Y., Revolutionary Dancer
- 2.—T. Eugene Estis, Famous Negro Pianist
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THE CLOAK AND DRESS INDUSTRY

Present Situation and Next Steps to Be Taken

By Martin Wiggins

The agreement between the cloak and dress manufacturing associations and the I. L. G. W. U. expired June 1. Long before the expiration of the agreement it became evident that the manufacturers have the desire to attack the conditions of the workers and withdraw the gains won in the last year and a half.

What is the leadership supposed to do under such conditions?

Any straightforward, honest and not sophisticated leader would prepare the workers for a strike. But the leaders of the I.L.G.W.U. locally, though talking about a strike, did not do a thing to prepare the workers for it, but instead depended on the NRA. This was before the nullification of the NRA by the U. S. Supreme Court.

* NRA Confusion.

Even left wingers and a leading Party comrade known in the as a Communist, due to constant hammering by the officials to depend on the NRA, made a no-

tion to urge the Senators and Congressmen to vote for prolonging the NRA for another two years. (On this question another article will appear in the Western Worker in the near future.)

With the failure of the NRA the bosses became more arrogant and aggressive, and the union does not move a finger to prepare the workers for struggle. Yet the bosses are utilizing the situation and cutting samples for the winter season, so that when a strike is forced, they will have their samples made and can more freely dictate conditions.

* Union Demands.

What are the demands of the union during negotiations?

1. Limitation of contractors—that is a jobber should employ a limited number of contractors. From experience in the East the jobbers when not limited play one contractor against another and are in a position to slash prices and reduce wages.

2. Closed Shop. That is, only union workers are entitled to jobs.

3. Maintenance of week work.

4. Equal wages for equal work. This point is one of the most aggravated questions in our industry, and a dangerous weapon in

the hands of the employers. You can find women workers, some of whom are producing more than men workers, getting less wages than men, by \$15 per week. The bosses have been utilizing and are utilizing at every point to keep the workers divided and it is the best weapon they have to speed up the workers.

5. A raise in wages. Everyone knows that under the NRA prices had been rising tremendously, the dollar devaluated and the wages of the workers remained dormant.

* Employers Stubborn.

To all these and a few other minor demands the bosses replied "No!" And yet they had the audacity to break negotiations and present the union with an ultimatum. To be just, we must state that the union called a stoppage on Friday, June 7, at 2 P. M. for



By Terry Casey.

The coconut palm is valued as the most useful of all trees, providing food, houses, utensils and clothing to all who live under them.

Capitalism has yet to reach the level of the coconut.

Huey Long was preparing the oration to the graduation exercises at "his" university. His preparations were practical. He said to a close friend, "Now you be there, and lead the applause and laughter. You watch me. When I take a drink of water you applaud, and when I wipe my forehead you start the laughing."

His friend was equally practical. "You better switch them signals, Huey," he said. "Because I'll sure start laughing if I see you taking a drink of water."

UNDER THE AAA. Lawyer, examining witness on stand: "And what is your business?"

Farmer: "Not raising wheat."

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BRIGHT SAYINGS OF CHILDREN

"Such an idea as a bilateral air pact with Germany has entered no one's head here."

—British Foreign Office.

Young People, national Baptist publication, has been banned as radical by a Frisco preacher, for admitting that life is "daily growing easier" in the USSR. No doubt the pastor would censor any story about Jesus Christ who told a rich man to disgorge his wealth and return it to the poor, who had made it for him.

THE TRUTH AT LAST

The projects fell into eight general classes as follows:

1.—Highways, including grade crossing elimination.

2.—Assistance to clerical and professional workers.

3.—Loan or grants to political subdivisions.

—Misprint in Alabama paper.

New Theater Group To Start Fight on Stage Censorship

SAN FRANCISCO, June 21.—The initial move to fight censorship in all its forms came from the local New Theater Group, member of the New Theater League. The Group decided to devote their next Monday night's meeting to formulate plans for the organization of a broad movement against censorship of the stage, film, etc.

The meeting takes place Monday, June 24, at 8 p. m., at 1228 Webster street. Several speakers will introduce the subject which then will be discussed by all those present.

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"RED SCARE," Workers' Theater play on program of Saturday (22) reception to students of Training School, at Franklin Hall, 1859 Fillmore st. 25 cents.

"PEACE ON EARTH," benefit for Modesto Defense, Saturday, 8 p. m., at California Hall.

FLICKERS and FLASHBACKS

The entire American working class may well be proud of the New York Theater of Action whose fine play of the CCC camps is winning wide support in its Broadway run. Out of the revolutionary resourcefulness of these moneyless workers has come another weapon of great value.

"The Young Go First" is one more example of the fertility of creative talent fostered by the organizations of the revolutionary workers and professionals.

So popular has the new "left" drama become that the New York Theatre Guild, most important producing group of the country, opened its arms to the authors of "Stevardore," George Sklar and Paul Peters wrote a lively radical revue which, despite the unanimous coldness of the metropolitan critics, is winning success. Without the blunting and paring by Guild censors the revue would have been a great deal more exciting.

It's called "Parade," and stars Jimmy Savo, a new sensation among genuine comedians.

"CHAPAYEV"

We like to think that "Chapayev" was originally a far more significant film before the New York censors got to it. While perhaps the slickest film from Sovietland in its general polish, at the same time it is positively the most superficial. It was really a film of CHARACTERS, not of revolutionary situations. The ideal film would of course have to be both.

We hereby administer our chastising to Robert Forsythe of New Masses for convincing us in advance that this was the most important of all Soviet films. It is definitely far less genuine, far less important than any number of less graceful movies they have made.

We don't want gracefulness. We want depth of understanding, solidity, and less of the cowboys-and-Indians stuff.

"Three Songs About Lenin," for all its raggedness, bad negative, and objectionable central portion, is immeasurably more moving, besides being a clear creative contribution to the cinema art, which "Chapayev" was not.

"Three Songs" showed that a full-length documentary film could be made, and made magnificently well. It was a new art form. It cleared the path to the making of an entirely new sort of motion picture, with a wonderful new effectiveness.

Address your letters and questions on matters of health to this column, care of Western Worker, 37 Grove St., San Francisco.

Oxnard, Calif.

Dear Comrade:

It is four years now since my wife has the pyorrhea. We want you to send us an economic treatment.

F. G.

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It's called "Parade," and stars Jimmy Savo, a new sensation among genuine comedians.

"CHAPAYEV"

We like to think that "Chapayev" was originally a far more significant film before the New York censors got to it. While perhaps the slickest film from Sovietland in its general polish, at the same time it is positively the most superficial. It was really a film of CHARACTERS, not of revolutionary situations. The ideal film would of course have to be both.

We hereby administer our chastising to Robert Forsythe of New Masses for convincing us in advance that this was the most important of all Soviet films. It is definitely far less genuine, far less important than any number of less graceful movies they have made.

We don't want gracefulness. We want depth of understanding, solidity, and less of the cowboys-and-Indians stuff.

"Three Songs About Lenin," for all its raggedness, bad negative, and objectionable central portion, is immeasurably more moving, besides being a clear creative contribution to the cinema art, which "Chapayev" was not.

"Three Songs" showed that a full-length documentary film could be made, and made magnificently well. It was a new art form. It cleared the path to the making of an entirely new sort of motion picture, with a wonderful new effectiveness.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY S.F. SECTION CONVENTION OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, JUNE 16

Need to Increase Membership and Build Party Influence in Trade Unions Is Stressed By Resolution

PART I.

The Party faces tasks of tremendous importance in San Francisco in the coming period.

The militancy of the waterfront unions under the militant leadership of the I. L. A. and the growing strength of the rank and file movement in other trade unions, have aroused the large San Francisco employers to the extent where already, with the Waterfront Employers Association taking the lead, they have fired the opening guns of a broad attack against militants in the trade unions generally and against Communists in particular. This is evidenced by the number of large newspaper ads inserted recently in the capitalist press.

Already, preparations are being made by the Waterfront Employers Association and the Industrial Association for September 30th, when all waterfront agreements expire, but there is every possibility that the shipowners will not wait for September 30 to strike. Rather, that they will seize on some excuse to start piecemeal or wholesale violations of the agreement by speeding up and cutting wages on various docks. At present, there is a move under way to attempt to isolate the San Francisco Waterfront from the other West Coast ports by manœvering it so that only the San Francisco unions will go out on an all-day strike July 5th, whereas in other ports, especially San Pedro, action will be restricted to one or two-hour strikes.

Because of the evident attempt being made to isolate the San Francisco maritime unions, using July 5th as a possible excuse to launch an attack against these unions, it is necessary that every Party member and sincere militant in a trade union bring up the question of participation and support in the July 5th parade and mass meetings. The Waterfront Committee preparing for July 5th is addressing communications to all trade unions and other working class organizations requesting such participation. If these letters are not read in the union meetings, our comrades and sympathizers must take the floor, inquire about the letter and urge that the unions support July 5th.

Must Demonstrate.

The only guarantee that Waterfront employers and the Labor Council bureaucrats will not succeed in their attempt to isolate and smash the militant trade union movement is such a huge demonstration of trade union solidarity on that day as will stop the employers in their tracks.

The necessity of correcting the isolation of lower Party organizations from the trade union work was especially stressed by the

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COURSE ON USSR TO BE GIVEN AT WORKERS SCHOOL

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SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—A course in "Socialist Construction in the USSR," will be added to the Summer classes at the Workers' School, starting Tuesday, July 9, 121 Haight st., at 9 p. m.

The course will examine the transition from capitalism to Communism in the USSR, from War-time Communism, through the New Economic Policy to the First and Second Five Year Plans. The role of wages, prices, and money, as well as the role of the trade unions, will be considered.

Two additional new courses will be added to the Economics Department. They are: Elements of Political Economy, based on Leontiev's new text book on Political Economy, starting at 7:30 p. m., July 9; and Intermediate Economics, with "Das Kapital" as a text, starting July 10, at 7:20 p. m.

Other courses open for registration are: Trade Unionism, Labor Journalism, Dialectical Materialism, and Leninism.

May-1935 Plenum of the Central Committee:

"More systematic attention to the building of and the work of the trade union fractions, building of leading fractions in the unions, in the locals, and improvement in the relationship of the fractions with the lower leading committees and lower organizations of the Party for the purpose of overcoming the still existing separation."

"The improvement of this relationship demands that all leading forces in the trade union fractions should actively participate in the work of the lower Party organizations, especially in the shop meeting and important sections, and that we draw the functionaries in the lower Party organizations into the trade unions. Without establishing the correct working relationship between the lower organizations and the trade union fraction, real Bolshevik trade union work is impossible."

"Especially today, in view of the fact that the center of gravity of our trade union work has been transferred into the A. F. of L. unions, the improvement of fraction work is of the utmost importance, in line with the strengthening of the Party position in the unions. Special attention must be given to the building of fractions in the Central Labor Councils of the A. F. of L. inside this body."

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HEARST'S EMPLOYEES APOLOGIZE

Some time ago a sophisticated humor magazine printed a picture of an exasperated prisoner saying to a very much disconcerted magistrate: "My God, Judge! Do you think I LIKE to steal?"

And, that is one of the most pitiful aspects of the capitalist system; it forces people to stoop to the most humiliating and degrading methods of gaining their bread and butter.

Typical of this is the plight of employees on Hearst newspapers. We encounter many of them in our day to day work. Never yet has one failed to stammer an embarrassed apology and explain, "Well, you know how it is. I've got to make my living. If I didn't do it, someone else would take the job." And then they will add: "Ever so, nobody believes all the lies we print, so, what's the difference?"

It is true that the stupid, vicious anti-Soviet and anti-labor propaganda of the Hearst papers has inspired thousands with loathing and disgust. But can we be sure that other thousands are not misled by such strenuous deceit?

There is no doubt but that Hearst's campaign is aimed at inciting enmity as a basis for a war against the Soviet Union. And it is of the utmost importance that the widest possible public be reached with the truth about what is going on in the U.S.S.R.

That is the function of the FRIENDS OF THE SOVIET UNION, organizing now in San Francisco, and their efforts deserve the support of every union and every workers group in the city. They not only propose to publicize accredited facts, but to build an organized resistance to such a war move.

Their first affair will be held June 20 and 21 at the Clay International Theater (Fillmore and Clay streets). They are showing 10,000 feet of film, "RUSSIA AFLAME", accompanied with a lecture by Charles Francis Drake.

COMING STRUGGLE ON THE WATERFRONT

(Continued From Page 1)

Not until the Communists and other militant workers on the waterfront got busy did real unionism manifest itself at all. And this was accomplished by persistently working for rank and file control—democracy in the unions. As a consequence the unions became organizations OF THE WORKERS, representing their interests and winning them better conditions.

The attack against the militant leadership on the San Francisco waterfront is based on the alleged violation of the terms of the maritime agreement through "numerous isolated strikes." It is precisely these short protest strikes which have guaranteed that the gains won in the General Strike of last year would be retained. If it weren't for the vigilance, alertness and militant action of the members of the I.L.A. to safeguard these gains, the whole agreement would have been smashed months ago and the longshoremen reduced to pre-strike conditions or worse.

This is not a matter that can be let go from day to day. It is the beginning of a fight to the finish. When that fight is over, either the maritime workers will control their unions or the employers will. There is no middle ground.

The maritime workers must answer this attack by declaring themselves for militant rank and file leadership—"left" leadership.

Boycott movements should be instituted against the capitalist papers, especially the Hearst Press.

The ousting of Scharrenberg must be followed by ousting the rest of the employer-controlled machine.

Steps must be taken to build a strong solidarity movement in all other unions.

East coast and gulf ports must be thoroughly informed of the situation and their support assured.

The employers are strengthening their own position for the coming struggle. The closing of Central Labor Council meetings in San Francisco was a maneuver of the employer-controlled machine; active in that body. The present newspaper campaign is intended to prejudice the general public against the militant waterfront workers, and against the militants in the labor movement generally.

Mass Meetings, demonstrations and every possible medium of publicity must be exerted to let the General Public know the true situation on the waterfront.

The employers are maneuvering for a showdown. It is up to the maritime workers to be ready and up to all other sincere trade unionists to support their brothers on the front.

THE CONCERN OF ALL LABOR

This by no means concerns the waterfront unions alone. If the open shop is put over on the waterfront, it means open shop throughout San Francisco and along the entire West Coast! Just as the crisis of the maritime strike last year was recognized by all San Francisco unions as a crisis of the whole labor movement, so should they today recognize the situation on the waterfront as one affecting the interests of all.

What is to be done in face of the concerted attack against the militant leadership on the San Francisco waterfront, which has broadened to an attack against all sincere militant trade unions?

July 5, which has been declared a maritime memorial day by the Maritime Federation of the Pacific Coast, must be made an occasion for a great outpouring of labor in every port on the Pacific Coast. THIS AFFECTS NOT ONLY MARITIME UNIONS BUT ALL OF ORGANIZED LABOR AND EVERY WORKING CLASS ORGANIZATION. The plans of labor fakers such as Ryan, Peterson and Vandelaar, working in the interests of the Waterfront Employers' Association, the Chambers of Commerce and Industrial Association, to smash the backbone of the militant trade union movement, can be defeated only if tens of thousands of workers participate in memorial parades, demonstrations and mass meetings on July 5. THIS WILL SHOW THE SHIPOWNERS AND THEIR AGENTS THAT ORGANIZED LABOR IS PREPARED TO DEFEND ITS INTERESTS, AND CAUSE THEM TO STOP AND THINK TWICE BEFORE CARRYING FURTHER THEIR UNION-SMASHING CAMPAIGN!

All maritime unions of the Pacific Coast. All other trade unions! Protest the vicious attacks by the top fakers of the A. F. of L. against your sincere, militant leaders. Oust all fakers in your unions! Establish rank and file control!

Demonstrate the solidarity of organized labor on July 5.

★ ★ They Can't Keep Him Out ★ ★



A Short Story

Immediate Attention

By James Douglas

LIMPING PAINFULLY, John Gordon slowly ascended the wide marble stairway of the immense six-story structure of stone and steel, the new Melrose Clinic. He paused for a minute on the top vestibule, as if to regain his strength; then, pushing open the large doors, he moved into a wide, well-lit hallway, fresh with that clean pungent odor familiar to all hospitals.

He stood just inside the entrance for a short while, almost motionless, a small, shabby figure, with thin, wrinkled features. His eyes—old, tired eyes—glazed about him with a faint bewilderment. His hands hung limply on his sides.

To his right was a small mahogany desk, behind which sat a nurse, young and unassuming in her white starched linen. Her head was bowed slightly, her hand, her elbow crooked on the desk, polished surface, her chin, buried in her hand, as if she were weeping. As yet she had not noticed John Gordon.

He moved toward her, wining almost imperceptibly with each step. He waited, silently before her desk. Presently the nurse raised her eyes with obvious reluctance from the book she was reading.

"What?" she said; and then when he did not reply: "Denial?"

John Gordon absently touched his thin fingers to his left thigh.

"My leg," he began.

"Fifth floor," said the nurse. She nudged with brusque efficiency to the right. "Take the elevator."

"Thank you," John Gordon crossed the wide corridor and waited. Finally the elevator arrived and he was whisked to the fifth floor. The sudden ascent left him with a momentary numbness. He was bent forward slightly, rubbing the leg with his hand, as he entered a large, clean, brightly lit room. The elevator doors closed off shut behind him.

The room was bustling with efficiency. At one side was a long counter, behind which typewriters clicked noisily. Men and women, in small desks, briskly spoke into telephones and rustled papers. White-clad nurses moved swiftly back and forth, in and out of numerous doors. On long benches, against the other three walls, sat about twenty men, women, and children, evidently patients of the clinic, waiting to be called.

John Gordon stood before the counter.

A young man glanced up, left his desk, and faced the old man.

"Yes, sir," he said.

"I think I have an infection in my leg," John Gordon said, "and I—"

"Have you an appointment?"

"No, you see—"

"Have you registered yet?"

"No, I—"

"Oh! The young man removed a fountain pen from his vest pocket and slid over a large pad of printed forms. He adjusted a piece of carbon paper, unscrewed the cap of the fountain pen, and looked up, holding the pen efficiently poised in his fingers.

He said: "Your name, please?"

"John Gordon."

The pen moved swiftly.

"Age?"

"Sixty-two."

"Address?"

John Gordon told him.

"Business?"

"Well, I am an electrician, but—"

"Any dependents?"

"No."

"Salary?"

"Well, I couldn't say exactly."

He paused, winced, bent down for an instant and rubbed his leg.

Then he resumed: "You see, since I hurt my leg last week, I haven't been working. Anyhow, I haven't had a steady job for the past two years or so. But I guess my wage usually averages about thirty-five dollars a month. Yes, I'd say that was just about my average."

"I see. And what did you say was ailing you?"

"My leg. I caught it on a nail last week. I think some sort of infection has set in."

"I see."

The young man continued to ask questions and quickly to jot down the answers. At last, when he was finished, he paused an instant, and then said:

"That'll be one dollar for the registration fee. I'll see if I can get an appointment for you tomorrow."

"A dollar?" echoed John Gordon. The word was dull, without feeling. His old face held a tired, resigned expression. "No," he muttered, slowly shaking his head. "No, I haven't any money. That's why—"

"Oh! The young showed a faint irritation, as if regretting the waste of so much time and effort. However, after a moment he managed to smile—a practiced smile of sympathy. Said: "I'm sorry, sir. You see, we not only charge the dollar fee, but there are various other costs—for the materials used. Perhaps, if you try the Williamson Clinic, on the other side of town, they might be—"

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OPEN FORUM

SPEAKING OF SCABS
Eugene, Oregon
June 15th.

Comrade Editor:

The mask of democracy is falling off, or rather being torn off by the rank and file lumber strikers here in Oregon.

Just remember last Fall they had a tomato and melon code, and every scab that undersold melons or tomatoes was arrested and fined. Why don't the authorities arrest the scabs in the lumber strike as they did in the tomatoes and melons?

The fact is, by holding the tomatoes so high that the people could not eat their winter supply, the cannery lords created a demand by having the tomatoes rot in the fields. And they benefit by the shortage.

Comradely,
G. K.

CAPITALIST LIES

Los Angeles,
June 16, 1935.

Editor:

I would like to give a few excerpts from an article in the Evening Herald and Express for June 14th. It is a red-baiting article that could be only found in a filthy paper like Hearst's.

It advocates that Communists and foreigners should go to Russia. Why should we foreigners go to Russia? We didn't lose anything in Russia, we lost it right here. I'd like to know why we haven't the right to talk about the situation in the U. S. A. when Hearst and the rest have all the best resources.

Hearst, who is a thief, would like to exploit Soviet Russia's natural resources. It breaks Mr. Hearst's heart that the people in Soviet Russia share everything among themselves and don't have to be afraid of capitalist thieves.

The whole capitalist system is like a dog with fleas. The fleas (capitalists) can't get along without the dog but the dog (worker) can live very well without the fleas.

Comradely yours,
C. M.

"ONE NIGHTS' WORK"

San Francisco,
June 18, 1935.

Comrade Editor:

At a recent convention of the Communist Party set itself a quota of 150 members by August 1.

That is just a good evenings' work for the Party in New York, so there is no good reason why San Francisco should fail! But it means hard work for every sincere member of the Party and gives our organizers an opportunity to set a good example and show their ability.

Thousands of workers in California realize that the Communist Party leads them in all important fights for better conditions and hundreds of them will join and help carry on the work as soon as they realize how vitally important it is to help strengthen their most effective weapon.

H. P.

grad, bound for the Ukraine, accompanied by two trusted samovars. Just before daylight I jumped off, unseen, at a town—the town of N. I crawled on my belly (in spite of cramps from eating borscht) in the direction of a village that my friend Comrade Y. had told me about. Comrade Y. has since been shot. (Boo-hoo-hoo.)

"I crawled for miles through barbed wire and over millions of corpses which lay with sightless, staring eyes, calling for the help that never came—until I got there. Then, in the early dawn, I suddenly heard moans and groans. They made my blood turn right into catsup. Never before or since has anyone heard such moans and groans.

"I made a noise like a seam squirrel and thus, creeping unseen between the huge cars and enormous eyes of fifteen battalions of G. P. U.'s I arrived at the village of Z. near the collective farm P."

* I Meet a Peasant.

"At first I could see nothing. Later on, as I became accustomed to the horrors, I could see a hundred times as much. Finally I made out a figure sitting on a pile of decayed lumber. I went over to talk to this peasant-intellectual. I knew he was a peasant because he had whiskers three feet long and it was easy to see that he was intellectual because he was at least 98 years old and wore three pairs of spectacles. The poor, poor wretch. At first he was too terrified to talk. But when I convinced him that I was Willie's friend he told me everything—and then some (I must shudder a little)."

* Ru'ned by Bolsheviks.

Before the war he had been a rich man. He owned a foot of sausage, a hammer, a yak, two chickens and uncountable flocks

With

Field Quarters

By Sam Darcy

What's Your Share in Returning Prosperity?

The June report of the Labor Research Association publishes the following that ought to interest you:

General Business activity continues to decline. By week ended May 11, New York Times business index had swung down still further to 81.5 (estimated "normal" equals 100) compared with the high—for this year—of 88.2 in early February and 84.6 in mid-May last year. Monthly index of Annalist has been dropping steadily since the beginning of January; by April had declined 4.3 point from its January level.

Steel ingot output was at 42.8 per cent of capacity in week of May 20, compared with 54.2% in corresponding week of last year. Continued decline is expected. However, first quarter of this year helped those who benefit by the low earnings of steel workers. (A compilation by Wall Street Journal showed that 15 important steel companies of the United States had an aggregate net profit of \$7,475,311 in this three-month period.

Big Banks Profit: Twenty-two of the large New York banks in 1934 reported aggregate net profits of 11.4%, the "best showing," according to Wall Street Journal, they have made since 1929 "when this ratio was 30%."

Dividends: Report by New York Times on dividends declared by 705 corporations in April gives a total of \$139,366,332 paid out to the stock-owning class. These items included 30 "extra" dividend payments.

Real Wages as estimated roughly by the liberal Nation in a new series of index numbers, show a drop of 1% between 1932—the depth of the crisis—and March, 1935. We believe this to be a very conservative estimate, based as it is on government figures which are in turn based on reports from manufacturers. The drop in real wages below 1929 is estimated at about 15%.

Retail Food Prices, according to latest reports of U. S. Bureau of Labor statistics, are up 38.5% above level of two years ago. And the rise shows no sign of abating. (Are your wages going up by any such percentage?)

The Government Sent a Letter To Comrade Scrogus.

DEAR S. D.:

The government has just sent me a letter. I wouldn't say that Franklin Delano did it personally but he told the Treasury Department to do it. It seems that all us citizens are equal partners in the U. S. A. and Franklin Delano wants us to know all about it. That goes for Rockefeller and me. You heard of Rockefeller and such being invited to that public building, the White House for breakfast and things? Well, I in my own way have also been a guest in public buildings for breakfast and things. Like Rockefeller I was there because of my concern in public affairs. Of course I could complain that there was a little too much salt-peter in my breakfast and I am sure that Rockefeller didn't get any. But then Rockefeller don't need it.

I never did find out exactly what the conversation between one of these millionaires and the President is. But then I can neither publish what was said to me when I was in conference with public officials last. Not that I wouldn't like to—but laws against profanity prohibit it. All us citizens sure do get treated alike.

But you no doubt know what's in the letter. Well, it appears we owe \$28,638,385,223.00. Don't ask me to whom. As a matter of fact I never remember borrowing or getting any part of it. It must be that I was taken into partnership after the whole deal was completed. Not that I wasn't here patiently and modestly waiting all the time to be called—but then there must have been more important people than just a carpenter like me who had to be taken in first.

But now that I am a partner I've been looking around for some ready change to meet those debts. But what do you think I found? The whole world only has about 12 billion dollars in gold. Now, even if I was to get the whole world's gold, how can I pay 28 billion debts with 12 billion gold? And I'll be hanged if I know how to get hold of even the 12 billion.

Seems like the answer is that we must get as close to that 28 billion as we can raise, and the bondholders will see about setting the rest from our children. Well, that's a hell-of-a-how-d'you-do. Now so far as I am concerned I am ready to call the whole thing off. If all that dough is paid I won't get none of it. We're a partner on the paying and not the receiving.

I suppose somebody is going to lose if the debts aren't paid. But why should they worry? So long as every man can get a decent job and earn a living to feed his family, why worry about "bonds." And if we can't get a job now, why not at the same time that we are calling off the debt business, all us partners call off the rest of the capitalist business, take over the works and give every man a decent job.

Oh! Oh! Another Red on the loose! So before I get to talking sedition, I am as ever,

Comrade Scrogus.

of cooties. "Going, going, gone," he wailed. Tears as big as Willie's diamonds coasted down his whiskers.

"Where do you live?" I asked him. He pointed to a great pile of manure. "That's my home since the revolution," he said. By this time I was so shaken by sobs of my more questions. As a matter of fact it was unnecessary. I could already see the bony hands of hunger and the fishy paw of the tyrant doing their stuff. I finally managed to gasp, "Where are your parents?"

"At this the poor man broke down completely. And then came one of the most tragic things I ever saw. This poor man, oppressed by Lenin, Stalin, Browder and Darcy, was positively too weak to point a finger or nod his head. HE COULD ONLY INDICATE A DIRECTION BY A WEAK MOVEMENT OF HIS LEFT EYE. ACCOMPANIED BY A SLIGHT CONTRACTION OF HIS LEFT EYEBROW!"

"I went in the direction he indicated. TO A CEMETERY!"

There I read the name of his parents. What a tragic end for the hopes and aspirations of humanity as promised by the Bolsheviks. There was a grim climax to the rule of the proletariat.

"I read the gravestones: 'Ivan

Ivanovich, died 1893; Mrs. Ivan Ivanovich, died 1903; Elfin Gregorovich Ivanovich, died 1913; Gregor Elfinovich Ivanovich, died 1933!"

* I Found What I Wanted.

"Aha! Aha! Aha! At last I found what I went to Russia to find, the incontrovertible truth attested by the cemetery and gravestones in the village of Z. near the collective farm P. And I can state without fear of contradiction that there is similar evidence all over that benighted land.

"I CHALLENGE THE WESTERN WORKER, DAILY WORKER, THE NEW MASSES AND THE PACIFIC WEEKLY TO CONTRADICT ONE IOTA OF THE FACT THAT IN THE SOVIET UNION IN 1932 AND 1933—IN THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS OF VILLAGES FROM KARELIA TO SAMARKAND AND FROM THE BALTIC TO KAMCHATKA, SIMILAR CEMETERIES AND GRAVESTONES PROVE BEYOND ALL SHADOW OF A REASONABLE DOUBT THAT PEOPLE DIED IN THIS GLORIOUS LAND OF THE SOVIETS!"

"THE TYRANNY OF THE PROLETARIAT IS AT LAST ESTABLISHED!"